

100,000 LIVES WERE LOST

TWO LIQUOR DEALERS

Summoned Before Police Board Meeting Tonight

To Show Why Their Licenses Should Not be Suspended as the Result of Their Attendance at the Cock Fight — First Local Application by New Liquor Law

That celebrated attempt at a cock fight in Dracut recently bids fair to go down into history as a most remarkable and far-reaching event, for two decidedly interesting sequels, one of which was most unexpected, were brought to light today when the police commissioners sent out summons to two local liquor dealers, to appear before them at a meeting of the board tonight and show cause why their liquor licenses should not be revoked or suspended under chapter 103 of the acts of 1908, the most recent legislation on matters pertaining to liquor dealers and which is being applied in Lowell for the first time in this case.

Here is the law:

Chap. 103. **SUMMONS TO SUSPEND OR REVOKE LICENSES IN CERTAIN CASES.**

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section forty-seven of chapter one hundred of the Revised Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the word "forfeited," in the fourth line, the words:— "or may be suspended his license for such period of time as they may deem proper,—and by inserting after the word "therefore," in the sixth line, the words:— "or any law of the commonwealth,—so as to read as follows:—Section 47. The licensing board, after notice to the licensee and reasonable opportunity for him to be heard

by them or by a committee of the mayor and aldermen or selectmen, if the license were granted by them, may declare his license forfeited, or may suspend his license for such period of time as they may deem proper, upon satisfactory proof that he has violated or permitted a violation of any condition thereof, or any law of the commonwealth. The pendency of proceedings before a court of justice shall not suspend or interfere with the power herein given to declare a forfeiture, if the license is declared to have been forfeited, the license shall be disqualified to receive a license for one year after the expiration of the term of the license so forfeited, and if he is the owner of the premises described in such forfeited license, no license shall be issued to be exercised on said premises for the residue of the term thereof. (Approved Feb. 24th, 1908.)

It will be recalled that Messrs. Barnard and Donohoe recently pleaded guilty of being present where a cock fight was about to take place and paid fines of \$15.

In this case the police commissioners have taken the initiative and have gone the Law and Order league one better, as it were.

"The other sequel to the cock fight referred to above was the contest over the confiscation of the birds in police court this morning, a report of which appears in another column.

MORE HOTEL CASES

Called for Trial in Police Court Today

The case of Maurice O'Donnell and Simon E. Lynch, charged with illegal keeping and exposing for sale intoxicating liquors, was tried before Judge Hadley in police court this morning. Guy D. Ham of Boston appeared for the government and Nathan D. Pratt for the defense.

The first witness called by Mr. Ham was John J. Flaherty, clerk of the police board, referring to records, testified that a first class liquor license and "holders' license" for the St. James hotel had been granted to Mr. Maurice O'Donnell and Alice O'Donnell, under the name firm of O'Donnell & Co.

The next witness for the government was Leland T. Johnson, of Worcester. In answer to questions put by Mr. Ham, witness testified in part as follows: "I came to Lowell on Sept. 7, Labor Day, and called at the St. James hotel. It was between 11 and 11.15 o'clock in the morning. I ordered a penny glass of beer, but did not order food. A sandwich was placed in front of me, but I did not pay for it, neither was I asked to pay for it. Between 10 and 10.30 o'clock the same night I called at the hotel again and repeated the same action as in the morning."

"What is your business?" asked Lawyer Pratt in cross-examination.

"An investigator."

"Investigator of what?"

"Criminal and civil cases."

"You mean that you are a detective?"

"No, I am not."

"How long have you been an investigator?"

"A year and a half or two years."

"When have you been investigating for?"

"Myself and Mr. Greenleaf."

"Where did you spend the most of the time intervening between the middle of August and Sept. 7?"

"In Lowell and suburbs."

"Dracut, North Billerica and a town across from Dracut where the race course was (Tyngsboro)."

"Where did you make your headquarters while in this city?"

"Park hotel and at a house in Anne street."

"The first time that you went to the St. James was on Labor Day?"

"Yes."

"Who was with you?"

"John Buzzell."

Witness said that when he visited the St. James hotel he was accompanied by Messrs. Dickerson, J. Buzzell and another man named Johnson.

"How many people were in the room when you entered?"

"I could not tell."

"Who sat down with you?"

"John Buzzell."

"And you had what?"

"We asked for penny glasses of beer, but they gave us bottles of beer."

IN AN EARTHQUAKE

That Devastated Provinces in Southern Italy and Sicily

It is highly probable that the loss of life as a result of the earthquake of yesterday in Southern Italy will reach or exceed 100,000. Already it is stated that in Messina alone the dead number 75,000, and reports from the province of Calabria and other points are continually increasing the sum total of the fearful loss.

75,000 DEAD AT MESSINA.

ROME, Dec. 29.—A special despatch received here from Palermo, Sicily, says that the dead at Messina as a result of the earthquake and tidal wave of yesterday are estimated at 12,000. Scores still are alive beneath the ruins of the city. Owing to the inadequacy of the means of rescue at hand it will be impossible to reach these people and bring them out alive.

Messina has a population of close on to 100,000 people.

Other despatches received here place the dead at Messina at even more appalling figures. The Tribune publishes a special telegram saying the casualties will reach a total of 75,000 persons.

The disaster in the province of Calabria and the island of Sicily has today assumed staggering proportions. Each successive report received from the stricken region makes it more apparent that the first stories of the widespread destruction were little if any exaggerated. Messina alone reports twelve thousand victims, but it is feared that this is only a partial list of the dead and wounded. Reports are coming in from other towns giving estimates of dead therein from 500 to several thousand.

Other Tragic Results

Reggio still remains in its tragic isolation. It is impossible to get word from the stricken city and the silence gives rise to the most fearful apprehensions.

News has come from Messina, eight miles north of Reggio, but no reliable estimate of the dead there has been made.

Vandalism of the worst kind has broken out and the government has adopted the most energetic measures for its repression. Robbers and looters are shot on sight.

The prison at Messina collapsed. Some of the prisoners were killed, but the survivors escaped and joined the hooligans who were sacking the city. Such confusion reigned that the robbers met with no resistance. The local chief of police lies dead in the ruins of his office.

The barracks at Messina were demolished. The commander of the troops was killed outright and there are many victims among the enlisted men.

An Electric New Year Gift

For your wife would be most appreciated. Just have the house wired for electric lights. She will be delighted and you will be also. So modern, convenient, clean and healthful.

Lowell Electric Light Corp.

50 Central Street

The government last night sent Gen. Feira di Cossato, an army commander, to take full charge of the troops in the devastated territory. One of his first measures will be to declare martial law.

The robbers pillaged the ruins of shattered buildings and even stole clothing and valuables from the dead. They were not deterred by the flames that broke out in several sections of the city but took advantage of the light for their vandalism. The night in Messina was one of horror indescribable—fire, robbery, death and dying on every side, the city in the utmost confusion and the people terror-stricken.

Troops began to pour into Messina last night and this morning a number of steamers arrived from the peninsula with soldiers on board. Patrols were organized and efforts made to bring some order into the situation. Bands of citizens were formed and helped heroically in the work of rescue. Many courageous acts were performed by soldiers and citizens alike and in some cases the rescuers themselves lost their lives in trying to help others. Toward morning several of the worst fires had been extinguished, the looting was under partial control, and comparative order had been partially established. Everything possible is being done to succor the wounded but the relief measures are still utterly inadequate owing to the intensity of the disaster.

The finest palaces, churches and theatres of Messina are now heaps of ruins. Countless dead bodies are scattered through the wreckage, and their decomposition will doubtless bring pestilence to add to the horrors of the situation.

The devastation over the entire district was more or less complete. No part of the province of Reggio de Calabria escaped. The disturbance was most severe along the shores of the straits of Messina, where the cities of Messina and Reggio are situated. In more than one town the shocks caused gas meters to explode and disastrous fires resulted, greatly increasing the death list.

The configuration of the straits of Messina has been materially altered. The tidal wave that completed the destructive work of the earthquake was thirty-two feet high and has been the greatest assistance in getting in reports from the devastated regions and in helping the authorities to realize the extent of the disaster and to send help.

A flying squadron of the Italian navy composed of the three best battleships had left for a cruise on the Atlantic before the first news of the disaster came to hand. By wireless these vessels were ordered to proceed at full speed for Messina.

A British squadron that was at Syracuse has left for Messina bearing a number of doctors and supplies of medicines, etc. for the victims.

There are also several Russian ships at Syracuse. It is reported from Catania that the bishop of Messina is buried under the ruins of his residence. Signor Eubel, a member of the chamber of deputies of his family, is also reported dead. The dome of the cathedral of Catania collapsed and other churches as well as the city hall

LOWER TAX RATE

Lowell Will Benefit by the Corporation Tax

Lowell's tax rate next to be announced should be less than \$13 and perhaps less than \$18.50, as against the present rate of \$20.40.

The city's assessors, however, are not responsible for the favorable turn that taxes are about to take. It was the inheritance and the corporation tax, the taxes that were imposed a year ago Lowell's tax rate.

Under the new corporation tax law, the city of Lowell will come into at least \$60,000 in actual taxes.

In addition, the taxation on personal property heretofore not taxed will amount to about \$30,000, and this should mean a good sized slice off Lowell's tax rate.

WILL KILL ROOSTERS

That Were Mixed up in the Dracut Main

The proceedings in connection with the forfeiture of the 13 fighting cocks taken by the state police at the cocking main held at the Lakeview Roll-away a week ago Sunday, was aired in court this morning.

The complainant in the case was Frederick P. Flynn, of Lawrence, a member of the state police, and he was represented by Mr. Guy C. Ham, of Boston. Lawyers Daniel J. Donahue, Robert J. Crowley, J. Joseph Hennessy of this city, and Lawyer Burns of Andover, represented defendants.

There was quite a lively battle between counsel as to "who was who." Mr. Ham being anxious to learn who the other four counsel were appearing for. After considerable cross-fire of questions and interruptions Messrs. Crowley, Donahue, Hennessy and Burns said they appeared for all the men who appeared as defendants, as a result of the cocking main, but refused to specify any one or more persons. When the court insisted that they specify their clients they said that they appeared for none of the claimants.

Charles A. Merrill, secretary of the Law and Order league, gave a description of the place where preparations were being made for a fight. He also said that the thirteen birds taken were in his possession.

Mr. Flynn, of the state police, the complainant, testified to posting the notice of forfeiture subsequent to his turning the birds over to Mr. Merrill.

No defense was offered and Judge Hadley declared the birds forfeited to the state. Judge Flynn, leaving the matter to the discretion of Mr. Flynn, Lawyer Donahue stated that he would confer with the chief of the state police relative to the disposition of the birds.

Lawyer Ham added that the birds would be killed and that there would be reliable witnesses present at the killing, but that there would not be any of the counsel present.

Counsel who appeared for the defendants in the cocking main a week ago Monday stated that they would appeal to Chief Whitney of the state police to allow them to be present at the killing.

Disorderly House

Lizzie Clark, who was conducting a disorderly house at 16 Sladen street, Dracut, was arraigned in court this morning. D. J. Donahue appeared for the defense and J. Joseph Hennessy for the government.

She pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness and conducting a disorderly house, but when her counsel said that she would leave the town within a week, counsel and the court conferred and the Clark woman was fined \$5 on the charge of drunkenness and sentence was suspended on the charge of conducting a disorderly house.

Assault Case

Howard Stirk pleaded guilty to assaulting Charles J. Grover of Dracut on the 21st of December. Grover testified that Stirk entered his house and without any provocation whatsoever struck him in the left eye and on the mouth, causing a black eye and knocking several teeth.

Stirk said that Grover had his two children in the house trying to make them say that he stole something from Grover, and when he heard where they were he went to Stirk's house and was taking the children away when Grover interfered and in self-defense he struck Grover.

Stirk was found guilty and a fine of \$15 was imposed.

Another Assault

Stanley Weide and Stanley Ginoquin were charged with assault and battery on Manooq Asdoorian. Weide was found guilty and fined \$10, while Ginoquin was discharged.

Non-Support Case

Lillian Pappas said that her husband, Charles, had given her but \$1.50 since the first of October, and for that reason she had him arrested for non-support. Pappas is a tailor and makes \$2.50 per day, but as he neglects to give his wife any money she has had to work waiting on tables.

Pappas said that he was not working steadily, but when he was working he gave his wife what money he had. He said he was willing to give his wife \$2 or \$3 a week.

The court ordered him to pay to his wife, through the probation officer, \$2.50 a week.

John B. Laflamme pleaded not guilty to a charge of being drunk. His wife said that he had been intoxicated ever since a few days before Christmas. She said that he also abused her and disgraced her by being brought home by different people. Laflamme acknowledged that he had a falling out with his wife. He was held under \$200 bonds for his appearance on the first of the year. The case was continued in order that Laflamme might spend a few days in jail to sober off.

The case of Denis St. John, charged with assault and battery, was placed upon the files of the court upon condition that he would pay the costs of court.

A woman in a second offender-pleaded to be given another chance and she would do better in the future. The court placed her in the hands of the probation officer for one year.

Three first offenders were each fined \$2.

BOSTON COPPER MARKET

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Considerable strength and activity marked the opening of the local copper market today and the advance held well for more than an hour when there was a slight reaction.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

FOR RENT

Two-flat apartment house, Boylston st., Oakland. Situated about 100 ft. from Boston and Oakland line of electric. Just finished, with the most modern and up-to-date conveniences. Apply to A. L. Kittredge & Co., 293 Central st.

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GOVERNOR GUILD

Upholds Charges Made Against
Late Speaker Reed

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Upholding in large measure responsible for delay in voting funds and supplies before the Spanish war, Gov. Guild has replied to the criticism of Asher C. Hinds of Washington, D. C., in a letter which was made public yesterday.

The governor characterizes Mr. Hinds' position, taking issue with statements made in a magazine article by the chief executive of this state, as unfair.

He, however, expresses great admiration for the late speaker on all other issues than that of the Spanish war.

The governor quotes reports and officials in Washington in 1898 to support his contention.

Gov. Guild's letter in part is as follows:

My Dear Mr. Hinds—In your letter to me dated Dec. 17 you are guilty of an unfairness that is foreign to your nature and of language which I am sure you will in calmer moments regret. Yet I almost respect you even in your unfairness and misrepresentation of me, coming as it does from an extraordinary delusion if you suppose that I bear or ever have borne any grudge, politically or otherwise, against Speaker Reed.

No man, I believe, in the United States has shown, as far as in him lay, a greater measure of appreciation of Speaker Reed than I. I cannot see, however, why his one mistake should be allowed over and over.

Though, as has justly been said, the people of the United States cannot shrink or shift their own responsibility for army and navy conditions in 1898, it is a matter of record that the house of representatives was peculiarly responsible for the unreadiness of the United States to go to war when war was declared in the late spring.

You will doubtless remember yourself how one bill after another designed to fit the army for conflict and to provide necessary equipment and ammunition met death and delay in the house of representatives at a time when all except infatuated men could see that war was at hand and when no patriotic man who loved his country, even if he wished to prevent war, had the right to prevent it by making his country helpless in the face of a foreign foe.

For this and all other delay and obstruction Speaker Reed was in large measure responsible. I have excellent authority for believing that he thought that by preventing the equipment of the army he could prevent war. This, it seems to me, was infatuation. His

story certainly proved it to be so. Thanks in large measure to the hostile or tardy action of the house of representatives, the country was unprepared when war came, but war was not thereby prevented.

Just one more point. Let me repeat with all the strength that is in me the sweeping statement of Representative Hull as to "enmity" of the national guard for the regular army, and as to the pressure exerted by governors of states to prevent the equipment of either regulars or volunteers. I do not wish to accuse any man unjustly. Mr. Hull may have facts in his possession that justify his statements. He can have no evidence, however, of the kind in regard to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

It was voted to buy the property at a special meeting recently held and committees were appointed to carry the vote out. As soon as the club has been incorporated the papers will be passed and meanwhile it has an option on the land. The committee to make arrangements for the completion of the purchase consists of Gen. Adelbert Ames, president of the club, E. Kirk White, Charles I. Head and George H. Spaulding. The second committee consists of Austin K. Chadwick, Henry W. Barnes and C. W. Russell, and its duty is to secure the cash necessary to make the purchase.

These committees have attended to their duties in part, and Secretary Gen. H. Spaulding stated last night that there is nothing now to prevent the consummation of the plan. The act of incorporation is practically complete, and the money for the purchase is all subscribed. The subscriptions are expected to be to bonds of reasonable denomination, and it is understood that enough of these are already listed among the club members to make the purchase price sure. A sum in excess of \$5000 is to be subscribed.

To meet the increased expenses the membership fee will be increased and new members taken in. The club hopes in the future to erect a suitable club house and to build clay tennis courts.

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"The First Thing I Remember

in life," writes Edward Everett Hale in his "Reminiscences" in the January WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION, "is my sitting in a box-sled with my little sister" and sliding down the hill where the first victory of the American Revolution was won. This anecdote is the first of many which Dr. Hale tells in his friendly, intimate way, making this most important of autobiographies read like a story. Spend a delightful hour with Dr. Hale in this month's COMPANION—

The Great New Year's Number

And you will enjoy the rest of the magazine—the stories by Anna Katharine Green, Mary Heaton Vorse, Anne Warner, and Florence Morse Kingsley, a famous love scene in color by Howard Chandler Christy, forty pages of practical departments—all and more in the January

WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION

At All News-stands

DR. H. W. WILEY

Is at Odds With the President

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—It is reported that Dr. H. W. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry of the agricultural department, who for years has been carrying on a vigorous campaign against the adulterators of foods, is slated for dismissal by the president, owing to a difference of opinion between him and Mr. Roosevelt over the use of benzoate of soda as a food preservative. Dr. Wiley holds that benzoate of soda is a bad thing and ought not to be permitted under the pure food act. The president disagrees with him.

Under the law a board exists, which has the final say on what is pure or impure in the food line. The board is composed of Dr. Wiley, who is the chairman, and Drs. F. L. Dunlap and George P. McCabe. The question of benzoate of soda having been brought before the board it was learned by certain manufacturers interested in its use that Dr. Wiley would hold that it was injurious to health, and must not be used. The manufacturers then appealed to the president who, it is said, sided with them as against Dr. Wiley. Yesterday the pure food board issued a bulletin which is not signed by Dr. Wiley. The decision permits the use of benzoate of soda pending further investigation.

PAPER FAMINE

IS THREATENED SAY THE MANUFACTURERS

GLENS FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 29.—That a famine in the news print paper market is likely to result from a continuance of the present drought in paper making territory is indicated in statements made yesterday by officials of the International Paper company. Many mills which have been compelled to run on short time in several departments, owing to low water, will have to shut down entirely within four weeks unless rain falls, the officials say.

Such a shutdown, owing to the fact that the company has no reserve supply of finished paper would, it is said, cut off shipments to a number of big dailies. Low water is prevalent in all paper mill towns of the country.

The shutdown, should it occur, would result in thousands of men who only recently resumed work after being laid off on a strike for three months being laid off.

MAYOR WOOD

PARTIALLY APPROVES NEW SALARY BILL

HAVERHILL, Dec. 29.—Mayor Wood yesterday partially approved the salary bill adopted by both branches of the city government, granting the increase of 17 cents per day for the patrolmen and 12½ cents per day for the deputy marshals, sergeant, inspector and captain. The policemen now receive \$2.50 per day and they asked for a 10 per cent advance, as \$2.75 per day is the uniform pay for patrolmen throughout the state.

Mayor Wood also approved increases of \$100 for Miss Hill, a clerk in the city treasurer's office, and \$150 for Miss Hubbard, assistant city clerk. He vetoed the \$500 increase for the city auditor, the \$300 increase for the clerk of the poor department and the \$200 advance for the agent of the board of health.

CLINTON, Dec. 29.—If the permission of the insolvency court is obtained it is anticipated that within a few weeks the Litchfield Worsted Co. will resume operations at its plant on Main street.

It is stated on authority that one of the creditors, who alone, has held out against a settlement of the financial difficulties of the company by the payment of a certain amount on the dollar, has now agreed to such a settlement and if the consent of the court is secured this will remove the necessity for a sale of the property by the trustee, Judge Jonathan Smith, and will hasten the date upon which there can be a resumption. The settling house in New York, through which the company has sold much of its product, is calling for goods and there are now orders on hand which the company could at once begin filling if the financial difficulties are adjusted.

COTTON MANUFACTURERS TO MEET

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 29.—A meeting of the utmost importance to Charleston will be held here on Jan. 9, when the members of the Cotton Manufacturers' Association of South Carolina will assemble for their semi-annual gathering, and on that day a number of the most prominent cotton mill men of the state will be here. The feature of the meeting will be an address to be delivered by the Hon. D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, N. C., on the subject, "The relation of the Tariff to Southern Cotton Mills." The association will be entertained by the commercial bodies of the city, and every effort will be put forth to make the visit of the members of the association pleasant.

ATTEMPT TO BURN YARN PLANT

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—Special officers of the northeastern police districts are making an inquiry into a deliberate attempt made to burn the yarn mill of Thomas Henry, Jr., at Emerald and Third streets, and had it not been for the prompt work of several policemen and bystanders the attempt would have been successful. The miscreants, believed to be the same ones who are responsible for a number of similar attempts, had forced open a cellar door of the yarn mill on Third street and filled up the passageway with waste, soaked in oil.

ADDITION TO EAGLE MILLS

COLUMBUS, Ga., Dec. 28.—The Eagle and Phoenix Mills Co. will enlarge finishing facilities for cotton goods produced by its mills. It will build another story to the present structure, 40,000 feet, of brick, standard mill construction, at a cost of about \$5000. No new machinery will be needed, as the additional space position now, but the additional space will enable the company to place the machinery more advantageously. This company operates about 50,000 spindles and 1,500 looms in the production of woolen and cotton goods.

MILL STOCK PRICES

FALL RIVER, Dec. 29.—There was a strong demand for mill stocks last week, and substantial trading was done. Investors have shown a disposition to trade, but they are looking for the lowest possible valuations before making their purchases. The annual statement of dividends will have some effect on investors, but in view of general conditions in the cloth trade, the year has been a fairly satisfactory one. With the beginning of the new

year, stock brokers anticipate a lively interest in mill stocks and values will be materially increased.

The stocks sold at private sale during the week were Arkwright, \$38; Flint, \$106; Hargreaves, \$30; Osborn, \$107.50; Barker, \$50; Sagamore, \$170; Sagamore rights, \$18; Seacomet, \$81; Stafford, \$12.50; Wampanoag, \$35.50.

There were sold at public auction yesterday seven shares of Chace, \$155; 10 shares of Borden City Manufacturing company, \$142.75; 40 shares of King Philip, \$160.50; 25 shares of Cornell mills, \$175.

PRINT CLOTH PRICES

FALL RIVER, Dec. 29.—There was small trading in the print cloth market last week, the sales being estimated at between 125,000 and 150,000 pieces. The holiday was largely responsible for the quiet, and what little business was accomplished was done in the line of spot goods and nearby deliveries. The bulk of the week's business was done on wide goods, the asking price being 4-7-8 cents and the bid 4-5-8 cents. The narrow end of the market is quiet, although the quotation of 3-7-16 cents for standards is firmly held.

It is believed that just as soon as the dullness attendant on the holiday is over, business will be resumed on a much stronger basis than has been the case for several weeks past. The quotations are as follows: 28-inch, 64x64s, 3-7-16 cents; 28-inch, 64x60s, 3-3-16 cents; 27-inch, 64x60s, 3-1-8 cents; 27-inch, 64x56s, 3-1-2 cents; 35-1-2-inch, 64x44s, 4-3-4 cents asked, 4-5-5 cents bid; 39-inch, 68x72s, 5-1-2 cents.

PAID DIVIDEND

FALL RIVER, Dec. 29.—The directors of the Westamont mills have declared a quarterly dividend of 1-1-2 per cent on the capital of \$1,000,000, a disbursement of \$7500. This corporation paid 2 per cent for the first quarter of the year and 6-3-4 per cent during 1907, equal to 33.125.

The Richard Borden Manufacturing Co. has declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent on the capital of \$1,000,000, which will cause an outlay of \$20,000. This is one-half of 1 per cent in excess of the last quarter. For 1907, this corporation paid 20 cash dividends in addition to 25 per cent stock dividend.

ARREST NEGRO

FOR ATTEMPTING TO WRECK A TRAIN

ROANOKE, Va., Dec. 29.—West Grubb, a negro, was arrested Sunday near Wytheville, for attempting to wreck passenger trains on the Norfolk and Western road on three different occasions within the past three weeks. Grubb was brought to Roanoke jail for safe-keeping.

Grubb confessed here yesterday that he placed sticks on the rails on eight different nights and returned a fourth time to try to wreck the same train.

Grubb said he tried to destroy the trains because of a grudge he had against a section foreman on the road.

KILLED BY FALL

BODY OF MAN FOUND AT FOOT OF STAIRS

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Charles E. Blake, aged 40, of 15 Prospect street, Charlestown, was found dead at the foot of the back stairs of his home late yesterday afternoon and his relatives believe that his death was accidental.

The body was discovered by a girl named Marion Reed, who notified officers in the house in which Blake lived with his two sisters and brother-in-law.

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Interesting Items From

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MILL STOCK PRICES

FALL RIVER, Dec. 29.—There was a strong demand for mill stocks last week, and substantial trading was done. Investors have shown a disposition to trade, but they are looking for the lowest possible valuations before making their purchases. The annual statement of dividends will have some effect on investors, but in view of general conditions in the cloth trade, the year has been a fairly satisfactory one. With the beginning of the new

year, stock brokers anticipate a lively interest in mill stocks and values will be materially increased.

The stocks sold at private sale during the week were Arkwright, \$38; Flint, \$106; Hargreaves, \$30; Osborn, \$107.50; Barker, \$50; Sagamore, \$170; Sagamore rights, \$18; Seacomet, \$81; Stafford, \$12.50; Wampanoag, \$35.50.

There were sold at public auction yesterday seven shares of Chace, \$155; 10 shares of Borden City Manufacturing company, \$142.75; 40 shares of King Philip, \$160.50; 25 shares of Cornell mills, \$175.

PRINT CLOTH PRICES

FALL RIVER, Dec. 29.—There was small trading in the print cloth market last week, the sales being estimated at between 125,000 and 150,000 pieces. The holiday was largely responsible for the quiet, and what little business was accomplished was done in the line of spot goods and nearby deliveries. The bulk of the week's business was done on wide goods, the asking price being 4-7-8 cents and the bid 4-5-8 cents. The narrow end of the market is quiet, although the quotation of 3-7-16 cents for standards is firmly held.

It is believed that just as soon as the dullness attendant on the holiday is over, business will be resumed on a much stronger basis than has been the case for several weeks past. The quotations are as follows: 28-inch, 64x64s, 3-7-16 cents; 28-inch, 64x60s, 3-3-16 cents; 27-inch, 64x60s, 3-1-8 cents; 27-inch, 64x56s, 3-1-2 cents; 35-1-2-inch, 64x44s, 4-3-4 cents asked, 4-5-5 cents bid; 39-inch, 68x72s, 5-1-2 cents.

PAID DIVIDEND

FALL RIVER, Dec. 29.—The directors of the Westamont mills have declared a quarterly dividend of 1-1-2 per cent on the capital of \$1,000,000, a disbursement of \$7500. This corporation paid 2 per cent for the first quarter of the year and 6-3-4 per cent during 1907, equal to 33.125.

The Richard Borden Manufacturing Co. has declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent on the capital of \$1,000,000, which will cause an outlay of \$20,000. This is one-half of 1 per cent in excess of the last quarter. For 1907, this corporation paid 20 cash dividends in addition to 25 per cent stock dividend.

ARREST NEGRO

FOR ATTEMPTING TO WRECK A TRAIN

ROANOKE, Va., Dec. 29.—West Grubb, a negro, was arrested Sunday near Wytheville, for attempting to wreck passenger trains on the Norfolk and Western road on three different occasions within the past three weeks. Grubb was brought to Roanoke jail for safe-keeping.

Grubb confessed here yesterday that he placed sticks on the rails on eight different nights and returned a fourth time to try to wreck the same train.

Grubb said he tried to destroy the trains because of a grudge he had against a section foreman on the road.

KILLED BY FALL

BODY OF MAN FOUND AT FOOT OF STAIRS

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Charles E. Blake, aged 40, of 15 Prospect street, Charlestown, was found dead at the foot of the back stairs of his home late yesterday afternoon and his relatives believe that his death was accidental.

The body was discovered by a girl named Marion Reed, who notified officers in the house in which Blake lived with his two sisters and brother-in-law.

Begin the new year right. Open an account in the Five Cent Savings bank.

TEN WERE KILLED

Men Buried in Cave-in of Trench

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 29.—Two bodies have been recovered and eight more are known to be buried in the cave-in of a trench at the blast furnace plant at Ensley last night. Several other laborers and two foremen were injured. Most of the dead are foreigners.

The cave-in occurred without warning and the bodies are being recovered with difficulty because of the large amount of gas which is pouring into the excavation from the furnaces.

PARTY NAMES

THEIR USE BY "INDEPENDENT" CANDIDATES DEPLORED

In a discussion of the proposition of the Boston finance commission to have a city charter which will do away with municipal primaries and party designations, Practical Politics makes the following comment:

One place where the party name should be eliminated, however, and this proposal ought to meet with the support of everybody who believes in political parties, is in the designations of independent candidates for any office, municipal or state. A candidate nominated on nomination papers is now allowed under the law to use the name of a political party in his designation as "favoring or opposing some other name or term." This is an injustice to the regularly nominated candidates of the party whose designation is used by the independent as the words "democratic independent" or "republican independent" is apt to confuse voters into the belief that they are voting for the regular nominee of their party. Indeed, it has grown to be a custom to place independent candidates for this very purpose. That the confusion is not confined to the class of voters regularly supposed to be the most ignorant was shown in the recent municipal election in Boston when "republican independent" candidates for the common council in ward six received their largest vote in precinct six, the Beacon Hill precinct of the ward. There half a hundred citizens threw their votes away by casting them for the independent candidates, who by the way were endorsed democrats put up by the democratic organization.

It would be hard to find a defense for the use of the law which allows such use of party names by independent candidates. There is no objection to a man defeated in a caucus running independently at the polls, although the strong organization man naturally believes that a candidate should stand by the result of the caucus, but there is objection to his running under false colors. He is not the party candidate and the vote should not be allowed the use of the party name in his designation. An independent candidate is supposed to be based on an issue or the personality of the independent candidate. If the issue upon which he is running is his own personality, he is not strong enough to win him an election, he should not win and should be allowed no aid, even under the hypothesis that he represents a certain party for the purpose of a campaign, an independent candidate should be allowed to represent his party and simply represent himself as a particular issue. The law should be amended without delay.

NEGRO HANGED

DECLARED HIS INNOCENCE TO THE LAST

PERRY, Ga., Dec. 29.—Fletcher Willis, a negro, was hanged yesterday for the murder of James Hall.

Willis, on leaving the jail in company with Sheriff Cooper and a deputy from Houston county, said: "I am glad this thing will soon be over with, but they are hanging an innocent man when they hang me."

\$12,000 BLAZE

FIRE STARTED IN MOVING PICTURE MACHINE

MANCHESTER, Conn., Dec. 29.—A film caught fire in a moving picture show in the lower floor of the American hotel here last night and the 35 persons who were watching the pictures were obliged to make their escape through windows. The building was set on fire and the flames spread with such rapidity that the sixteen guests of the hotel asleep on the second and third floors of the building were obliged to make a hasty exit, many of them in their night clothes. The loss to the building was \$12,000.

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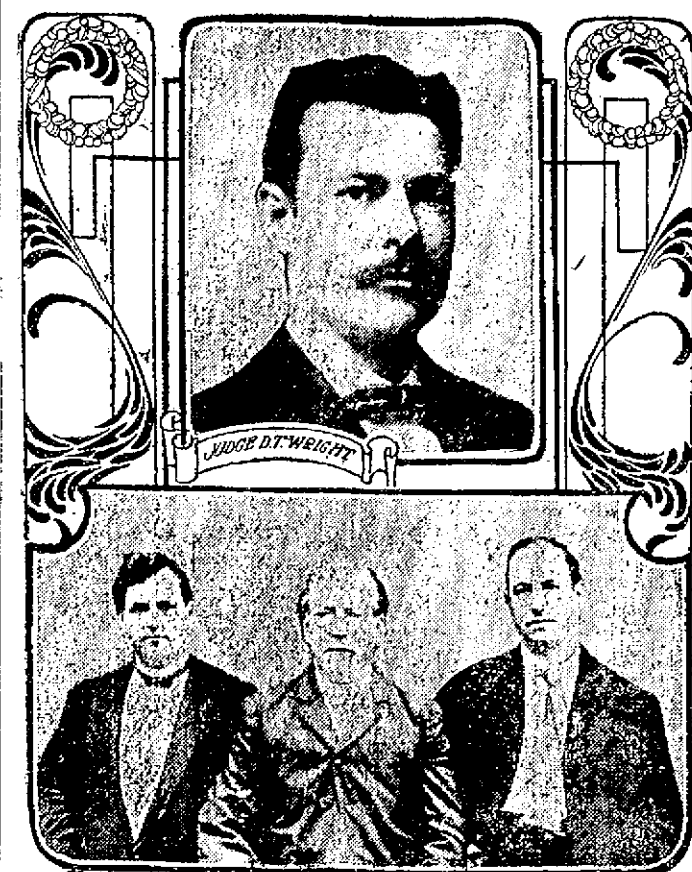
Work Begun by the Ways and Means Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The work of preparing the revised tariff bill was resumed yesterday by the sub-committee of the house ways and means committee. Two meetings were held, and there is every likelihood that the tariff framing committee, which consists of the republican members of the full committee, will continue to hold daily meetings until the time comes to report the bill to congress at the special session in March.

Hundreds of letters and briefs are being received by the committee daily, and the suggestions offered and changes requested are varied. Judge E. H. Gary has returned the printed copy of his testimony with the corrections he desires made in the final report of the hearings. He does not change the substance of his testimony, but has made several corrections in the figures which he gave while on the stand before the committee.

The tariff reforms are giving much consideration to the maximum and minimum duty in connection with the new tariff. Although the United States was the first to apply this method of securing favorable trade relations with other countries it has never applied the principle to more than a few articles, while several foreign countries have

JUDGE WRIGHT AND THREE LABOR LEADERS HE SENTENCED TO JAIL



WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—All factions of labor unionists are rallying to the support of Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, the heads of the American Federation of Labor sentenced by Judge Wright of the District of Columbia for contempt of court in connection with the ruling against boycotts. Meetings of union labor bodies in many cities

ONLY SURVIVOR HE MAY NOT LIVE

Tells Story of Wreck of the Lippitt Sanford, Me. Man Was Badly Beaten

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Sole survivor of the schooner Jeannie Lippitt, which was wrecked on the Delaware coast on the night of December 23, Andrew Jorgensen relates a story of awful suffering and fearful experiences.

He says that Captain Edgar Robinson of the unlucky craft, insured from Philadelphia to Porto Rico with a cargo of coal, and from Porto Rico to Jacksonville, Fla., to take on a cargo of lumber.

Jorgensen came to Boston yesterday and reported to the owners of the wrecked schooner at 53 Broad street, where he was seen by a correspondent. He said he shipped in New York three months ago, the Lippitt, sailed from Philadelphia to Porto Rico with a cargo of coal, and from Porto Rico to Jacksonville, Fla., to take on a cargo of lumber.

On the afternoon of December 23, said Jorgensen, "we ran into the teeth of a severe gale. Captain Robinson put the men at the hand pumps and lowered all canvas except the main-sail. At 10 o'clock the ship struck bottom."

"Half an hour later the mainmast went over. At 1 o'clock in the morning the cabin was so filled with water that the captain and others had to go on deck."

"We were all huddled up forward when Captain Robinson complained that he could not see anything. Then he seemed dazed and apparently had lost his mind. While he was raving the Lippitt was struck by a big sea and broke up like so much chip wood. With the mate and two others I got on top of the forward house. The captain and an American sailor we saw sink and could not help them."

"Before day broke all except one of those with me on the house. Let go their hold and were drowned. When it was clear enough I sighted a five-masted schooner, anchored about a mile to the eastward. We tried to signal her, but got no answer. My sole companion, a Norwegian sailor called 'Charlie,' then went crazy."

"About 5 o'clock I sighted a steamer coming toward us. It was the Ravenscroft. As she steamed up I fastened a rope around 'Charlie's' body and he was hauled on deck. I followed quickly and was given prompt attention. But poor Charlie died without regaining consciousness."

AUTO DRIVER

HELD ON A CHARGE OF MAN-SLAUGHTER

HOLYOKE, Dec. 29.—Edward Lambert, driver of the automobile which struck and fatally injured George Williams, a paper mill worker, on Sunday night last, was brought into the police court today on a charge of manslaughter. He pleaded not guilty and the case was continued until Monday, but of \$1000 being furnished. Williams was struck by the automobile just as he was alighting from a street car. He died last night.

WANTS INQUIRY

Charged That Men Housed With Horses

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The aldermen yesterday passed an order offered by Alderman Curley requesting the board of health to investigate and report to the board on the method of feeding and housing men employed under existing contracts for removing garbage, ashes and the cleaning of catch-basins.

In regard to the garbage and ashes contract, the alderman said that nineteen men are housed in an old factory building at 75 Tenean street, Dorchester, while the men employed in cleaning catch basins under contract held by a party in the city are housed with the horses in a stable.

The mayor, he added, may have good ideas on economy, but as far as he was able to judge, they worked out like the plan upon which a certain man made millions, namely, saved all that came in and spent nothing.

The men employed on the contracts referred to in his order receive about \$12 a month, he said, a sum which he considered too small to make a man honest or a good citizen in these days of high cost of living. The alderman believed that nothing better could be started in the interest of race suicide. And yet, he said, the mayor goes about telling how much money he has saved the city by the introduction of these "blood" contracts.

THE POLICE

THINK CLUE MAY LEAD TO MURDERERS

NEWBURYPORT, Dec. 29.—Information furnished City Marshal Lattime of this city by a reporter and Night Officer Daniel Lynch may result in the capture of the murderers of Waslyslw Rongzewski, who was slashed to death in Ipswich Friday night.

It is probable that a search of the Polish colony will be made early today and all strangers rounded up and held for identification.

Christmas night two strange and suspicious looking Poles were seen here by the officer, but as he then knew nothing of the murder he made no attempt to apprehend them.

He is, however, confident he can easily identify them and if they are found to hold in the Polish colony they will be held pending an investigation.

Annie Galinsky, a young Polish waitress in a local restaurant, told the police that she was in Ipswich when the affair happened and that Bolouszewicz was attacked by two men who were picking a fight with a friend, and that when he started to stop the row he was taken by the men, who slashed him with knives.

BRIEF FREEDOM

MAN RELEASED FROM PRISON AND ARRESTED AGAIN

ATLANTA, Dec. 29.—Liberty was brief for Leon Whilden when he stepped from the gates of the federal prison in Atlanta Monday morning, for a 12 S. deputy marshal was waiting for him to take him before Commissioner Fuller on a charge of violating the postal laws.

Attired in a neat suit, clean shaven and generally of good appearance, the young man in Commissioner Fuller's office faced the charge of having broken into and robbed sub-station No. 4 of the Boston post-office. The indictment alleged that he committed the crime in company with three others, one of whom, Alexander Luster, is now in the federal prison, with about a week more to serve. Luster will be similarly arraigned when he is released.

Whilden was held in \$1000 pending Judge Newman's return, when a warrant for his removal to Boston will be issued. He will be confined in Fulton county jail till the necessary steps have been taken to return him to Boston.

Whilden had just concluded a sentence of one year for robbing a post-office in Kentucky.

"GRAFT" CASES

BASEBALL PASSES MAY FIGURE IN THEM

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—Attorneys for the prosecution of the alleged corrupt practices by Pittsburgh councilmen, as well as attorneys for the seven councilmen and two former bankers already under arrest, insist that the trials will be argued in as speedy a conclusion as the machinery of the court will permit. Attorneys for the defendants say they will be ready to meet the charges in court whenever presented.

Concerning the alleged bribery of councilmen by officers of national banks to obtain deposits of city funds it is said that some of the banks had their New York correspondents forward the amount of the corruption fund to another Pittsburgh bank to the credit of the councilmen negotiating the bribery, and that he distributed it to the other councilmen. Some of the more wary councilmen worked through safety deposit boxes, but others wrote checks against the fund.

It is said that a number of these checks will be presented as evidence.

President Roosevelt, it is generally believed now, is interested in the pushing of the federal cases.

There was an unconfirmed report last night to the effect that Barney Dreyfuss, president of the Pittsburgh Baseball club, is to be an important witness in the graft cases. The baseball park is located in what was Allegheny prior to the consolidation of the cities last spring and besides annual tickets for all members of the Allegheny council only a nominal license was demanded from the baseball management. When the cities were consolidated, the number of councilmen was so large that annual passes to all was considered too heavy a burden and none was issued. Thereupon a practically prohibitory license ordinance was introduced in the councils of the combined cities, but it has never been finally acted upon. If Mr. Dreyfuss is a witness it will be undoubtedly in connection with the demand made upon the baseball management for councilmanic favors at the national game in this city.

WOMAN DOCTOR

ACCUSED OF USING DRUGS ON PATIENT

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 29.—Serious charges are made against Dr. Amanda E. Ingraham, a North Adams physician, in a bill of equity filed yesterday in the superior court. The petitioners, Anna Belle Bentley, Charlotte A. Hopkins, Wm. F. Allen and Marietta Clark, legatees of the estate of Wm. A. Hopkins of North Adams, complain that Dr. Ingraham made use of drugs and undue influence to secure the transfer of \$22,000 in personal property and real estate belonging to Wm. A. Hopkins to herself during his last illness, in which she attended him.

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Woman Charged With Murder of Her Husband

MEDIA, Pa., Dec. 29.—Mrs. Florence Erb and her sister, Mrs. Katherine Beisel, were placed on trial in the Delaware county court here today, charged with the murder of Mrs. Erb's husband Captain J. Clayton Erb, at his country home "Lied Gables" near Village Green, on the night of Oct. 2. Captain Erb, who was secretary to Israel W. Durham, the republican leader of Philadelphia, was shot during a quarrel in which Mrs. Erb and Mrs. Beisel participated. Mrs. Beisel is charged with having fired the shot that killed the captain, but both she and Mrs. Erb have been jointly and separately indicted on a charge of murder. Captain Erb was found dead in the hall near his bedroom with three bullets in his body. Mrs. Beisel admitted firing the shots, but declared she did so in self defense.

Since the shooting Mrs. Beisel has been in jail, but Mrs. Erb has been out on bail, having secured her release on habeas corpus. Mrs. Erb was well known to the patrons of horse shows where she rode and was recognized as a clever horsewoman. Mrs. Beisel's husband is a trainman on the Philadelphia & Reading railroad.

The case will be tried before Judge Isaac Johnson and District Attorney A. T. Dutton MacDade, assisted by Assistant District Attorney J. Robinson. Each job was completely tied up, it was stated. The alleged employment of non-union men in some lines and wages less than the prevailing union rates in others was the cause assigned for the strike.

No conference looking toward an adjustment has as yet been held, but it is expected that the matters may be settled today.

Big Blizzard Raging in the British Isles

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The snowstorm which visited the British isles Sunday last continues today and in some parts, particularly in the north, it has assumed the proportions of a blizzard. In Scotland the train service has been entirely tied up for 24 hours, and many factories have been forced to close down. In several of the English counties the roads are blocked with snow-drifts. In London a fine snow, accompanied by wind, has been falling since early morning.

JOBS TIED UP

BECAUSE OF A STRIKE IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—A total of 317 men of various building trades quit work yesterday noon on the new opera house job on Huntington avenue, the Somerset hotel extension on Commonwealth avenue and the new sugar house job on Granite street, South Boston, all of which are being erected by the Geo. W. Harvey company, builders. Each job was completely tied up, it was stated. The alleged employment of non-union men in some lines and wages less than the prevailing union rates in others was the cause assigned for the strike.

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HELD IN \$10,000 THE LOW WATER

Ex-Teller Hoogs Held May Force Paper Mills to Close

SALEM, Dec. 29.—Albert Hoogs, former teller of the Beverly Savings bank, who is alleged to have confessed to misappropriation of about \$6000 of the bank's funds, was held for the grand jury by Judge Seabury in the district court today. The complaint specified that he charged the larceny of \$1000 from the bank on October 24 last. Hoogs pleaded "not guilty," waived the reading of the complaint and waived examination. His bonds were fixed at \$10,000 and were furnished by five Beverly business men. Today's proceedings were very brief. Hoogs appeared to have recovered from the serious illness caused by an overdose of some narcotic from which he was suffering at the time the shortage in the bank's accounts was discovered.

SOLDIER'S BODY

THERE ARE NO FRIENDS TO CLAIM IT

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 29.—The body of John Driscoll of Roxbury, who is known to have relatives in Boston, is at the undertaking rooms of John E. Graney, Jr., and unless claimed will be sent to a medical school. He died Saturday.

BERLIN, N. H., Dec. 29.—The announcement made yesterday by the officials of the International Paper Co. of the effect that low water may compel a suspension of work in many of the mills of the company has called attention to the conditions prevailing in this city, where one of the mills of the International company is located. In this city there are five big paper mills employing in all about 3200 workmen. Five hundred of those are employed by the International Paper company. At the present time all of the mills are running on full time and to full capacity.

The water supply is low, but is sufficient for the present although rain must come in the near future or production may have to be curtailed.

Water power here is supplied by the Androscoggin river and tributary streams. The Androscoggin has a big storage capacity, both natural and artificial, and the use of the water is so regulated that here is no waste. Exactly how much longer the supply will hold out is not known, but it is expected the rain will fall before the water becomes too low to operate the mills.

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SEVERAL SEWERAGE PROPOSITIONS.

It appears that the state board of health has endorsed with some modifications one of the schemes of sewerage for Wiggville and South Lowell proposed by Engineer Bowers. The solution is not so very difficult as was supposed at first, nor nearly so expensive. It is now decided that the Wiggville and South Lowell districts can be drained into the Lowell system entering at South Whipple street on Lawrence street. This will do away with the need of a filter bed or a force pump as was proposed at first by Engineer Bowers. The main cost will be that of building a sewer from Wiggville to South Whipple street on Lawrence street, passing under the Concord river. That will establish the connection with the Lowell system, and then it will remain to develop the local system in the outlying district as necessity may require or as the city can afford the expenditure.

It appears that the Warrenville district can be drained by connecting with the Wiggville sewers entering the main on Lawrence street. Engineer Bowers has provided pipes for surface drainage in the outlying districts so that the surface water will be turned into the river instead of the sewer. It seems that this plan as a whole will make the drainage of Wiggville and South Lowell comparatively easy.

There is, however, a serious problem confronting the city in the southerly Oaklands near the end of Wentworth avenue. The sewage of that slope is turned into land owned by private parties so that the city is liable at any time for damage suits. This district must be connected with the Wiggville system if the city does not see fit to set up the sewer pump advocated by Engineer Bowers. The expense perhaps would be more than can well be afforded just at present, but the fact remains that some relief in the form of adequate sewerage is needed in that locality. The risk of turning sewage into private land is too great to be long borne by the city. The remedy must be provided in one form or another in the near future.

WIFE BEATERS AND WIFE ENSLAVERS.

The wife beater is not the worst type of worthless husband in Lowell. The man who makes his wife an abject slave while he leads an idle life about the city is still worse. Lowell is unfortunate enough to have hundreds of such men of different grades of intelligence and criminality. The most urgent of all reforms, the one crying most loudly for the attention of the humane and the charitable is this enslavement of wives and mothers, this starvation and degradation of children. It is by no means confined to the victims of drink, although they constitute a large proportion of the whole. Of the total number there are grafters, gamblers, bums, political heelers and men who go about volunteering their advice as to how the city government should be conducted. They are giving so much attention to the affairs of the city that they have no time to attend to the needs of their families, and as a result their neglected wives must go to work in the factories while their children often go hungry to school and at home are left without proper care and treatment.

The man who goes about attending to everybody's business but his own is usually a man who is not doing his duty.

Our city is alleged to be in such very bad condition that a number of men neglect their families in order to "redeem it from the grafters." These cant phrases about graft have become so common in the mouths of hypocrites that it is difficult to distinguish between the real and the counterfeit reformer.

The man should be in jail who gets married and soon drops work to save the city, while his wife has to work in the mill to support not only herself and children but her idle husband. Yet this is the type of men we find volunteering advice on how to run the city, how to improve conditions in this department or that, and how to bring about improvements according to his ideals. The conditions he considers ideal would no doubt be such as to give a man a good salary for doing nothing. That is what some of these volunteer reformers are after. It is their reason for existence as bums and loafers. Some of them think they are born rulers of men.

The grafter has various ways of getting money by dishonest means, and yet we do not consider him half as great a criminal as the able-bodied man who makes his wife a slave and his children dependents upon her earnings while he plays the role of reformer, gentleman of leisure or sidewalk politician with a lot of advice about how other people should run their business.

It is time such men were driven from the streets, from public places, time they were compelled to shut their mouths and go to work. They are parasites upon the body politic, whose influence is bad, whose idleness is an outrage upon their wives and children. If they had any manhood they would shrink from the public eye under the scorn of decent men who despise shame, hypocrites, loafers, bums and humbugs, under whatever guise of respectability they may appear, whether it be to run as candidates for office, to go about denouncing public officials or dilating upon the evils of misgovernment.

Is there any power to compel this type of sidewalk loafer to go to work that his wife may be given a much needed rest and his children the care they require? Is there any power to force to work the able-bodied man who lives upon the earnings of his enslaved children, spending most of the money in the barrooms or at cards? Is there any relief in prospect for the enslaved wives and children of Lowell, the victims of idle or cruel husbands and dissolute fathers?

SEEN AND HEARD

Leap Year ends Friday and we haven't been asked.

Ta-Ta Xmas and the glad hand to the New Year.

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CHILDHOOD

The past oft takes me by the hand
And leads me back once more
Unto the strand of the borderland,
To memory's farthest shore,
Where thought and speech had just begun
And life was in the bud.
While toddling gait through a world of fun
From the land of the babyhood.

It all comes back, and my heart fills
Again with a bounding joy,
I cross the hills and climb the hills
That knew me as a boy.
I wander "neath the shady bowers
And through the meadows glide
In paths of flowers, while the golden hours
Go over by my side.

I pass again the schoolhouse walls
And drink from the fountains of truth
In learning's halls, where the future
Is waiting for the youth.

To the eager heart of youth
I hear the siren voices ring
That lure me to the strife.
Ah, sweet they sing when hope is king
And love is the queen of life!

Within the silence of the night
These thoughts of what has been,
Like spirits bright from a world of light.

Come unto me again,
And in the busy garish day
They visit me even there
And drive away with their presence
The darker thoughts of care.

F. E. Dayton in his Current Comment on Advertising in the "Agricultural Advertising Magazine" has the following:

"Since the death of the late George H. Daniels, who was for long the advertising genius of the New York Central Railroad, Sir Humphrey O'Sullivan has taken the place of the railroad as Elbert Hubbard's patron saint. It was mainly through George H. Daniels' efforts that Elbert Hubbard became so popularly known because the New York Central road used some millions of Hubbard's 'Message to Garcia' to mark his appreciation of Daniels' work. The new publication carries a full page memorial to the late George H. Daniels.

"Years ago Hubbard sold the advertising privilege of 'The Philistine' to Frederick W. Gardner of Chicago, but in bringing out 'The Era' the advertising is being done from the home office in East Aurora, and Felix Shay, 'The Era' secretary, is the advertising manager. The new publication carries quite some business, chief of which is the Jones sausage and O'Sullivan copy. "For years the knighted printer of Lowell, Mass., kept to street cars, and while this field has not been abandoned the magazine space is now larger. O'Sullivan did a good stunt when he got Dan O'Leary and a letter one when he connected with Hayes, the Olympic Marathon winner, who is being shown clasping hands with Sir Humphrey."

PEOPLE OF NOTE

Rev. T. A. Bendrat of Constaberville, New York, an experienced naturalist, has sailed from New York city for Barbados, whence he will proceed to Trinidad, Venezuela, to lead an expedition to the upper Orinoco and press on it possible as far as the source of that river.

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river. Many attempts have been made by the Spaniards in olden times and recently as 1551, and by a Frenchman, J. Chasfonjon, as recently as 1887, to explore the region at the headwaters of the Orinoco, but all failed for various reasons. Should Mr. Bendrat succeed he would be the first white man to reach the source of that mighty stream.

The London Telegraph quotes a letter written to the Madras of Mals (India) regarding the heroism of two women doctors attached to the Victoria hospital in Hyderabad. The writer is a resident of that place and his evidence is first hand. He speaks of the disastrous floods. The assistant doctors at the hospital, Misses Pinto and Carver, were entreated by their friends to leave, but they refused, though sending all such patients as could be moved to places of safety. There were 21 women too ill to move, for conveyances of any kind were not procurable; besides which they were all purdahists, or secluded, who would rather die than be known to walk on the street. By 9 o'clock at night, on the day of the flood, the water had risen above the pavement of the hospital buildings and the doctors, with the aid of nurses, helped and carried patients to the roofs, and all night doctors, nurses and patients spent there in rain and darkness. In the morning it was found that the water was within two feet of the roof. It had risen a foot higher by noon, and all looked for death—then the flood began to subside, and when it was possible these brave doctors, nurses and their charges were rescued.

How little President Eliot's fundamental qualities have changed in the forty years since his hand took the helm of Harvard college is apparent from a letter quoted in Harper's Weekly, "The Eliot's," written by Holmes to John L. Motley. "I have made room for King Stark. Mr. Eliot makes the corporation meet twice a month instead of once. He comes to the meeting of every faculty, ours among the rest, and keeps us up to 11 and 12 o'clock at night discussing new arrangements. He shows an extraordinary knowledge of all that relates to every department of the university, and presides with an aplomb, a quiet, imperturbable, serious good-humor that it is impossible not to admire. We are, some of us, disposed to think him a little too much in a hurry with some of his innovations, but he is a man of the highest caliber. I saw three of them the other day, and found that they were on their guard, as they all quoted that valuable precept, *festina lente*, as applicable in the premises. I cannot help being amused at some of the scenes we have in our medical faculty—this cool, calm, self-control, and the way in which they take care to turn everything topsy-turvy, taking the reins into his hands and driving as if he were the first man that ever sat on the box.

"How is it, I should like to ask, said one of our members the other day, that this faculty has gone on for eighty years managing its own affairs so well, and how within three or four months it is proposed to change all our modes of carrying on the school. It seems very extraordinary, and I should like to know how it happens."

"I can answer Dr. —'s question very easily," said the bland, grave young man. "There is a new president."

The tranquil assurance of this answer had an effect such as I hardly ever knew produced by the most eloquent sentences I ever heard uttered.

Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, of Denver, former president of the General Association of Women's Clubs, and the only woman invited by Mr. Roosevelt to take part in the conference of governors, was asked by the Denver News what she thought of his recent statement that he knew of no special improvement in women's position resulting from equal suffrage. Mrs. Decker said: "It is evident that he has not made a careful study of the matter. He knows nothing of the humane measures which have been passed by our legislature through the influence of women. Under equal suffrage, there is a much more enthusiastic devotion and respect on the part of men, who look upon the sisters as equals in all things, and as property, not as equals, and fellow-citizens."

Hon. John D. Long's daughter, Margaret, now a resident of Denver, says: "It seems impossible to me that anyone can live in Colorado long enough to get in touch with the life here, and not realize that women count for more than all the men of the state. They do where they have not the power that the suffrage gives. More attention is paid to their wishes, and much greater weight given to their opinions and judgment."

An Englishman, Mr. Tels of Redd hall, Hurstow, Eng., has caused to be erected a memorial fountain for horses, which is described as follows: "In memory of the noble fidelity of the 400,000 horses killed and wounded at the call of their masters during the South African war, 1899 to 1902. In a cause of which they knew nothing, this fountain is erected by a reverent fellow-creature."

Mrs. Humphrey Ward has been overtaken by Nemesis in the form of her sister, Miss Ethel M. Arnold, who has just arrived in this country. For Miss Arnold makes it clear that she disagrees with her distinguished sister on the matter of woman's suffrage, and will not hesitate to announce her own views in favor of it. It will be recalled that when Mrs. Ward was here last winter, besides opposing the suffrage, she delivered a lecture upon the novel, and rather curiously her sister also proposes to discuss this subject. Miss Arnold calls the two prevailing opinions upon the fiction the feminist novel and the religious novel, and will discuss these in separate lectures. A more interesting theme for her than either promises to be her grandfather, Thomas Arnold, of Rugby.

Charles Rann Kennedy, whose new London drama, "The Winter at the House" as a play, answers questions concerning his ancestry in phrases of a poignant freshness: "Father, a scholar, passionate soul, tender, pure, beautiful nature, unsuccessful, died of death by business men. God spared them. Died when I was thirteen. Mother, a Greek heroine of Parnassus, a woman of noble mind, but not of an ordinary kind, but more extraordinary kind. From a ship, 'New Milton, Shakespeare, and a ship, 'Greece, also what we call the 'Greece of the great Remedy'."

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write in story fashion. The letter in part:

I have been travelling Northern Vermont and New Hampshire trying to find a certain article. The great want of the dealers think they don't want it; and after we argue it out some of them change their minds—and then, again, others, convinced against their will, are of the same opinion still. If I could only develop that faculty, possessed by some of making a person think he was himself reasoning it out, I might make what the boys call a crackjack salesman.

You know, one of the drawbacks about calling on the trade with a special, or somewhat involved and complicated proposition is that when we have about reached a conclusion, Mrs. Jones' little boy comes in for five cents worth of peppermint, and after that is over we start again, only to be interrupted by Mrs. Jones' boy himself who has returned to spend on riotous living the money he has earned in doing the errand. After the Jones boy has finally made a selection between a stick of peanut candy and a crab bag package of chewing gum, we start again on the business in hand—but hold! here come a couple of gentlemen who want to purchase phonograph records. The druggist who has hoped to increase his business by adding a canned music, oratory and vaudeville department to his establishment is all attention. First the gentlemen have some time at a few records run through the machine—and they start; they're off with the overture, a medley by Souza's band, and the curtain rises on a monologue by one James J. Carleton, and then a celebrated lady vocalist sings "Give My Regards to Broadway," followed by a male tenor who declares that "When you leave good Old New York you're only camping out." By this time the thing's getting interesting and they follow with such a variety of new and old that one no longer wonders why men sin, and then when "Waiting at the Church" is asked for as something never before heard, there is a gleam and despair about yours truly that only the bright glimmer of the lights on a real street in a real town can dispel. What they finally select I know not, but the druggist returns to say he is sorry I have wasted my time, but that I can get the first one in the morning at 1.25—and there you are. The hotel would make a charming country boarding place, for two weeks in August, with your salary in advance in your pocket—but in winter, with double window shades, light on each room, and no transoms either side the door, they have you confined in a supposed sleeping place in which the state cattle and dairy commissioners would not permit the stabling of cows because the available oxygen does not measure up to the standard prescribed by law.

At breakfast we have steak and eggs—only country, but still persist in trying instead of broiling steak. Is a question I leave for posterity. Why farmers' eggs at country hotels are not so crisp and fresh like as cold storage eggs at the marble slab luncheries of a metropolis is because when eggs are advancing in price at the rate of five cents a week the farmer holds them until he thinks he has found the crest of the market—and if you think that's a joke then you ought to try the eggs.

Then in the course of a few days we get to a fair-sized town with a good hotel, and meet up with the boys on the road, and as they speculate on the details of a few real comforts they begin to look positively cheerful; and as they line up in front of the office window, chairs tilted back and feet on the brass railway, envious merchants passing by make a mental note of the luxurious life led by a traveling salesman. Supper over, there are letters to write, reports to make out, and (during the last two weeks in the month) occasionally an order to send in to the firm; then the planning of the morrow's route, a confidential chat about how good business has been—more or less cheerful exaggeration—and perhaps a game of pitch or whist. Of this latter some of them play for fun and sometimes money, which reminds me of the man who once asked, "Is there any money in horse racing?" "Yes, all mine is," replied his friend. By which I mean to describe the general condition of those who play for stakes; there are, seemingly, no winners. As for myself, I can't afford to play for fun and money on chance these days, so I am saved the depression of losses and the treacherous elation of temporary winnings.

The great majority of the men who travel are hard working, well meaning people, and deserve to succeed.

Deposit the Christmas present money in The Five Cent Savings Bank, Jan. 2, is Quarter Day.

NURSE OBJECTED

TO POSTAL THAT WAS SENT TO HER

BOSTON, Dec. 25. In consequence of the receipt of a postal card by Miss Margaret Griffin, a nurse at the Massachusetts General hospital, threatening to report "grievous conduct" on her part unless she complied with a demand for money, Jacob C. Goldsmith, of 255 Broadway, South Boston, was arrested yesterday by United States Deputy Marshal James Waters.

When arraigned before United States Commissioner Hayes on the charge of sending a scurrilous postal through the mails he pleaded not guilty and was held in \$100 for a hearing on Thursday. As Assistant United States District Attorney E. Mark Sullivan, who is prosecuting the case for the government, does not consider Goldsmith wholly responsible for his actions, the commissioner allowed the prisoner to go on his own recognizance.

Goldsmith, who is 65 years old, and has been living with his wife in South Boston, is a political refugee from Russia. He is a graduate of the University of Warsaw, Poland, and holds degrees from various medical and scientific institutions in Europe.

NEW INVENTION

IMPROVED CARDING MACHINE

INVENTED IN LOWELL.

Among the recent patents secured through the office of Gardner W. Pearson, esq., is one to Eddo N. Bates and Robert B. Robinson assigned to the Bates & Robinson Machine Co., of this city on an improved carding machine.

An essential feature of the invention is the use of card clothing on the strippers so arranged that bent teeth start in one direction and straight teeth in the other direction from the surface of the roll. The result is a duplex action by which the stripper acts also as a worker and thereby doubles the number of carding points. A large number of carding machines has already been equipped with this patent in New England and Philadelphia and the results are said to be quite remarkable. In fact it is claimed by many that the whole system of carding will be revolutionized by this device.

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SIX ATHLETES

Have Been Suspended

by the A. A. U.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—There was a decided stalemate in amateur athletic circles last night when announcement was made of the suspension of six prominent athletes, five of whom took part in the recent Olympic games at London, England. The suspended men, against whom the charge of professionalism was made, are:

Melvin W. Sheppard, Charles Bacon, Harry F. Porter and George V. Bonning, all of the Irish-American Athletic Club; P. G. Bellars, New York Athletic Club, and James J. Lee, formerly of the Boston A. A., but now unaffiliated.

The action was the outcome of a searching investigation by the registration committee of the Amateur Athletic Union which was conducted at the West Side Y. M. C. building last night. Chairman Oberthur, of the committee, said that he and his fellow members had come to the conclusion that these athletes and possibly others, had been demanding sums be-

yond what might be termed legitimate expenses, and the monetary claims of some of them were exorbitant. He showed a statement from Major Wolf of the Seventy-Fourth Regiment, N. G. S., at Buffalo, which showed that Porter, Sheppard and Bonning were paid, according to the terms of the committee, amounts far in excess of what were considered ordinary expenses. The three men took part in games at Buffalo on December 12 last.

The committee also announced that information has been received by it from reliable sources that professional trainers and coaches have been demanding money for the appearance at outside meets of members of their teams. This will not be tolerated by the committee, and a warning has been sent to all amateur athletes that they must not allow themselves to be parties to such transactions, under penalty of suspension on professional grounds.

Sheppard and Porter, two of the suspended men, and Martin Sheridan, of the Irish-American A. C., left yesterday in charge of Trainer Ernie Mierberg, to take part in an athletic meet in Pittsburgh tonight, but the action of the committee will prevent the appearance of Sheppard and Porter because their suspension became operative the moment the committee announced it.

Chairman Oberthur said that the committee would hold several sessions during the next four weeks and that every complaint against registered amateur athletes would be investigated thoroughly.

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THE EARTHQUAKE

Continued

THREE PROVINCES

WERE DEVASTATED BY THE EARTHQUAKE

ROME, Dec. 29.—The three provinces of Calabria, Catanzaro and Reggio di Calabria, comprising the department of Calabria, which forms the southwestern extremity of Italy, of the toe of this boot, were devastated yesterday by an earthquake, the far reaching effects of which were felt throughout almost the entire country. The town of Messina in Sicily was partially destroyed and Catania, on the east coast, was inundated. In Messina hundreds of houses have fallen and many persons have been killed. Owing, however, to the fact that telegraphic and telephonic communications were almost completely destroyed, it is impossible to obtain even an approximate idea of the vast damage done.

The fate of entire regions within the zone of the earthquake is unknown. Reports received here up to late last night indicate that the havoc has been great and the destruction to life and property more terrible than Italy has experienced in many years. The uncertainty of the situation for many thousands has filled the hearts of the deepest distress, for they still have fear that the day may come when that part of the country, which seems to have been blessed by nature, will be destroyed by the blind forces of that same nature which nearly 19 centuries ago overthrew the empire of the Romans. All reports show that the present catastrophe endures a larger area than the earthquake in 1905.

The tidal wave which followed the earth shocks on the eastern coast of Sicily sank vessels and inundated the lower part of Catania. It is known that a number of persons were killed at that place, but the rushing waters carried everything before them and caused such an indescribable confusion that it will be impossible for some time to estimate the damage and the lives lost.

All Communication Broken

For a period the town of Messina and the whole province of Reggio were completely isolated owing to interruptions to the telegraphic and telephonic lines. The telegraphic lines were broken at a number of places, but the rushing waters carried everything before them and caused such an indescribable confusion that it will be impossible for some time to estimate the damage and the lives lost.

The Italian government proceeded energetically to relieve the far-spread distress, concentrating at the points of greatest need troops and engineers. Members of the Red Cross were sent to various places and camps and provisions were immediately prepared, all available railway lines and warships being used for their transport.

The city of Messina has suffered probably more than any other place, the latest information coming indirectly from that city, saying that two-thirds of the town was destroyed and several thousand persons were killed. The steamers Washington and Montebello, which were in that harbor, afterward proceeded to Catania, loaded with injured who were so stupified by the shock that they seemed unable to realize what had happened, simply saying that it looked as though the end of the world had come. Five steamers left Catania for Messina, to assist in removing the injured from that place who are reported to number thousands.

Camping in the Streets

At Catania the panic-stricken people, fearing new shocks, absolutely refused to reenter their houses and are camping in the streets, which are free from water, and in the surrounding country. The tidal wave sank 500 boats there and did great damage to several large vessels and steamers, including the Austrian steamer Buda. Not only did Catania suffer from the effects of a tidal wave, but a similar body of water inundated the handsome streets of Messina, which flank the harbor, covering them with a thick layer of mud, which rendered more difficult the clearing of the wounded, many of whom could be seen lying under the wreckage.

It is reported that the villages of Pizzo and Gandolfo, adjoining Messina, have disappeared. The effects of the earthquake were aggravated by fire from an explosion of gas, the flames, which swept along several of the streets, adding terror upon terror.

In Calabria, the region around Monteleone, was most affected. The village of St. Giovanni, the inhabitants of which number 2000, was practically destroyed, only five persons were killed, but many were injured.

Mgr. Marabito, the bishop of Mileto, who distinguished himself in the

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earthquake of 1905, did valiant work again yesterday. He rushed into places where the ruin was the greatest and gave aid and encouragement to all.

Save Church Images

Thousands of people abandoned their homes, although a terrific rainstorm prevailed, and the refugees filled the air with lamentations and prayers. In some places, such as Trizzo, Catanzaro, Santa Severina and Pisceoppo, the people had the courage to enter the churches almost while they were falling and carry out the images of the saints. They bore these in procession through the open country, invoking the mercy of God.

In the mountainous regions inland the population has taken refuge in grottoes and caves, where peasants and soldiers, soldiers and persons of gentle birth are living in common. Their bed is the ground, and fires burn to keep off wild animals. In Alid alone 2000 persons are homeless.

Extraordinary scenes are reported at Catania. Following a violent earth shock at 5.30 a. m. the sea rose to a height of 10 feet, and a tidal wave of 100 feet high struck the city. A secondary tidal wave caused further damage and wreckage. Awakened by the shock the inhabitants fled panic-stricken from their homes into the streets and squares. Processions were organized and soon all the churches were empty, weeping crowds imploring divine mercy.

Cardinal Nava, archbishop of Catania, exhorted the people to be calm. He promised that the body of St. Agatha should be carried around in procession. St. Agatha is regarded as the special deliverer from all scourges and, according to history, the pious inhabitants of Catania diverted the course of the lava stream in 1852, when a fearful eruption in Mt. Etna took place, by extending the veil of St. Agatha toward it, thus saving the city, for the lava turned aside near the benedictine monastery and descended into the sea.

Tragic Occurrences

While the number of deaths at Catania is not believed to be large, there were several tragic occurrences. Among the children swept away by the tidal wave was a boy 15 months old who was torn from the arms of his mother. The mother, too, was overcome by the force of the water and lost consciousness, but her body was caught by a railing and remained there until she was rescued.

Midnight reports say that Reggio, the capital of the province of Reggio di Calabria, eight miles from Messina, on the opposite side of the strait, has met the same fate as Messina, but these reports have not been confirmed, owing to the lack of telegraphic facilities.

A very severe shock was felt at Catanzaro, a city of Sicily, and although much damage was done no one was killed. The shock created great alarm and notwithstanding the day of mourning the rain the whole population remained in the streets throughout the day and marched in religious procession.

Pope Wants to Go

The pope was greatly distressed at hearing of the scourge that had afflicted the loyal population in the south. He could hardly credit the correctness of the dispatches describing the devastation and fatalities as ten times greater than in 1905.

After kneeling fervently in prayer, his holiness arose and said, as he said three years ago, that he felt his place was amidst his suffering children. It was his firm intention to order that instructions be given for beginning the journey, but his physicians and those in attendance upon him insisted that it would be impossible for him to undertake such a fatiguing expedition in the present condition of his health.

MT. ETNA IS ACTIVE

CATANIA, Sicily, Dec. 29.—Mount Etna, the volcano a short distance from here, is today showing considerable activity and the detonations which can be plainly heard in this city together with the volume of smoke rolling out of the crater have added to the panic of the people.

According to the director of the local observatory this activity is directly connected with the earthquake of yesterday, which wrought such havoc in Calabria and Sicily, but a great eruption is not expected. Such phenomena seldom accompany violent seismic disturbances.

KING TO AID

NAPLES, Dec. 29.—King Victor Emmanuel will proceed at once to Calabria and Sicily and do all in his power to further the work of rescue. He has ordered a special train to be prepared and this will take him as near as possible to the scene of the disaster. From this point he will use any transportation facilities available to get into Reggio and Messina.

It is reported here that the prefect of Reggio was killed in the earthquake and that an inspector general from the home office in Rome has been sent to replace him. The prefect of Reggio is the head of the province and the post corresponds to a governor of a state in America.

SHOOT ROBBERS ON SIGHT

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A special despatch received here from Catania says that only a few thousands out of the entire population of Reggio have escaped death or injury.

Lieut. Gen. Piero di Corsico has ordered that all robbers and thieves be shot on sight. Martial law will be instituted in the earthquake zone.

The population of Reggio is placed at about 50,000 persons by the authorities. The city is eight miles south of Messina.

SHOCK WAS RECORDED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—News of the devastation wrought by the earthquake in Italy was received here with profound interest. The tremors were recorded on the seismograph instruments of both the weather bureau and the coast and geodetic survey and the weather bureau officials had figured out almost with mathematical precision the section of the globe where the greatest force of the shock was felt, but there was nothing to indicate the tremendous violence of the disturbance. The state department and the Italian embassy anxiously awaited official advice regarding the catastrophe. During the course of the day it is expected that President Roosevelt will despatch to the Italian government a message expressing the deep sympathy and the question of relief will be considered by the leaders of the Red Cross movement.

The American National Red Cross

The American National Red Cross today sent out telegraphic requests to all of its branches for relief funds to be applied to the sufferers from the earthquake in southern Italy. The Italian Red Cross society being so fully organized it will not be necessary for the American society to do more than send money contributions which will be done as rapidly as possible.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

NEW YORK ITALIANS

TAKE STEPS TO AID VICTIMS OF THE QUAKE

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The board of directors of the Italian chamber of commerce will meet this afternoon to take steps for sending aid to their afflicted countrymen.

The Italian consul general for New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Rhode Island stated today that he would receive contributions from any one who may wish to aid the victims of the Calabria and Sicily disaster.

Of the five hundred thousand Italians living in New York city the consul general estimated that 150,000 were from regions affected by the quake.

CRUISER YANKEE

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 29.—Car-

loads of ponderous machinery are arriving here for use in the attempt to float the United States cruiser Yankee now lying sunk in the outer harbor in this port. Five pontoons are here to be loaded on the lighter seaburg and other machinery which has arrived includes tons of pumping connections and two miles of great chain cables. The compressed air plant used in salvaging the steamer Bavarian, Scottish King and Mount Temple in Canadian waters has arrived.

A fleet of seven vessels has been gathered here by the John Applebee wreckers including the Pontiac, the naval collier Lebanon, the lighter Seaburg, the tug John Harlin, the lighters Rosa Lee and Little and a schooner. It is anticipated that everything will be in readiness for the work on the Yankee by the end of the week.

CARS CRASHED

The Motorman Caused the Accident

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Swinging from side to side and kept from falling only because of the clutch he had on the brake-handle, Patrick Gilder, motorman, yesterday ran a Broadway and Amsterdam avenue car at full speed from Ninth avenue to Eighth avenue, on Fifth-third street, and into the side of an Eighth avenue trolley. The police charge that he was intoxicated.

Gilder, who lives at No. 401 West Fifty-third street, was painfully injured, as were a dozen passengers on the trolley, both of which were crowded, it being a 12 o'clock-chatter-gong hour.

The motorman was flung backward against the door, and fell in a heap, yet he sang snatches of song while passengers, panic-stricken, tumbled from the car, leaving several of their number unconscious from shock.

Motorman Thomas Dooling, of the Eighth avenue car, was injured. He believed he had the right of way, and never expected that a car would whizz up to him with such speed, motorman being required to exercise extreme caution at the point of intersection of the two lines.

Broken glasses and Dooling, the known injured were Miss Thelbert Woodruff, of No. 2345 Broadway; Benjamin John Moylan, who was on the car in plain clothes; Samuel Teller, No. 101 Broome street, and Miss Lora Nixon, of No. 546 West Fifty-ninth

street. Dr. Blakely, of Roosevelt hospital, dressed the injuries of these, while the others who were cut by glass or bruised when hurled from their seats were attended by a druggist on the corner.

A big crowd gathered soon after the crash. Moylan, although hurt, attempted to keep the throng back so that the injured might be taken away.

With promptitude, some officers not knowing who Moylan was, struck him in the eye. Moylan struck back and in a few seconds had on top of him several other citizens, who poured him unmercifully until Captain Daly and the reserves arrived from the West Forty-seventh street station.

Gilder was arrested. He was first taken to the hospital, on the way to which he repeatedly wished every one a Happy New Year. The police could not identify the men who attacked Moylan.

FUNERALS

LACOUTURE The funeral of Michel

Lacouture took place yesterday morning from his home, 790 Merrimack street, with a large number of friends and relatives attending. A solemn funeral mass was sung at St. Jean Baptist church, with Rev. Fr. Baron, O. M. I., officiating, assisted by Rev. Frs. Barrette and Campeau, O. M. I., as deacon and sub-deacon. The choir sang Perceval's funeral mass under the direction of Dr. Caisse, and Arthur J. Martel played the organ. The bearers were Jules Lavallee, Nicholas Lavallee, Pierre P. Lefebvre, Joseph Desmarais, Napoleon Lavoie, Edmond Vallard and Thérèse Allard was master of ceremonies. There were a great many floral offerings, including a cross on base, with inscription "Grandpa" from the grand-

children, a wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre L. Gregoire, a sprig of roses, Mrs. Edouard S. Hous, and others. Burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, and Rev. Fr. Brallard, O. M. I., officiated at the grave. Undertaker Napoleon Blouin had charge.

RIVET The funeral of Adelard Rivet took place yesterday morning from his home, 741 Allen Ave., with solemn funeral services at St. Louis' church. The officiating clergyman was Rev. Frs. Jacques, Trudel and the hymnists. The choir sang Perceval's funeral mass under the direction of Olier J. Davis, with Miss Ida Monaghan at the organ. The bearers were Edmond Lamhart, Narcisse Boucher and Arthur Lavoye, delegates for L'Union Samois, Chanoine, Frs. Arthur Robitaille, Zenon Robitaille, Joseph St. George, delegates for St. Paul, C. O. P. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, and Rev. Fr. Brallard, O. M. I., officiated. Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

PARE The funeral of Louis Pare took place yesterday morning from his home, 11 Church street, with funeral services at Notre Dame de Lourdes church. A solemn funeral mass was sung by Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I., with Rev. Frs. Vland and Baron, O. M. I., as deacons. The choir sang Perceval's funeral mass, H. A. Racicot directed and Miss Anna Alexander played the organ. The bearers were Michel, Lamine, Dubreuil, Wessely, Proulx, Proulx and Brunau. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery and Rev. Fr. Vland, O. M. I., officiated at the grave. Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

GREENE The funeral of Mrs. Ellen B. Greene took place yesterday after-

noon from the Edison cemetery chapel. Rev. Frank G. Alger was the officiating clergyman. The bearers were John Greene, Daniel Carville, George Eastman and Parker Spaulding. Burial was in the Edison cemetery, under the direction of J. A. Weinbeck.

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If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

An Immense Purchase

By a lucky stroke we were able to secure two high grade stocks; \$15,000 worth of Cloaks and Suits from Kaplan Bros. and \$5000 worth of Furs from B. Hoffman, both leading New York makers. We bought this stock practically at our own prices, making possible the greatest bargain feast in our history.

Sale Commences Wednesday Morning at 9.30

256 Suits In Lot

75 suits in broadcloth, serges and mixtures, \$12 and \$15 suits at

7.45

50 suits in fancy serges, trimmed broadcloths, all new

11.45

60 suits in the best worsteds, finely tailored, guaranteed fittings, while they last

14.45

20 suits, one and two of a kind, suits made to sell at \$25 and \$30, sale

18.75

You will never duplicate prices for these

qualities again.

340 Coats Divided Into Lots for Quick Sales

20 coats in mixtures and blacks, Value \$10, at

5.00

40 coats, semi-fitted and loose styles, Value \$12 and \$15

7.45

Very Special

45 inch Caracul coats, fine cloth and full sweep, lined with guaranteed lining, Value \$25

14.75

125 coats in fine four-lots, best broadcloth styles, that are just made up \$15, \$18 and \$20 coats

12.75



Silk Petticoats
25 Taffeta Petticoats Selling at \$5 and \$7
\$3.95

20 Misses' Sets, \$2 and \$3 at \$1.00

FURS

Don't hesitate when you can buy Furs at prices of skins. We find our purchase much better than expected.

Read! Read! Read!

\$3.00 Opossum Muffs.....	\$1.67	\$5.00 Opossum Scarfs.....	\$3.00
\$5.00 Opossum Muffs.....	\$2.67	\$7.00 Wolf Scarfs.....	\$4.97
\$8.00 Fox Muffs.....	\$5.00	\$12.00 Near Lynx Scarfs.....	\$7.50
\$12.50 Fox Muffs.....	\$7.50	\$15.00 Silky Fox Scarfs.....	\$8.75
\$15.00 Wolf Muffs.....	\$9.75	\$25.00 Lynx Scarfs.....	\$17.50

\$20.00 Fox Sets..... \$12.50
\$15.00 Dark Squirrel Sets..... \$8.75

Every Fur marked with a plain tag showing Hoffman price and sale price.



WAISTS

200 Dozen Waists at Sacrifice Prices

\$3.00 Lace Waists, silk lined..... \$1.37

\$5.00 Taffeta Waists..... \$2.87

\$7.50 Lace and Messaline Waists..... \$3.97

Every high grade Waist reduced 1-3 and 1-2 in price

\$1.00 and \$1.25 Lawn and Madras Waists, long and short sleeves, fine embroidery..... 69c

\$1.50 and \$2.00 Lawn Madras Waists, about 12 dozen in lot, at 87c

Extra salesladies to attend to your wants.

RAINCOATS

Hand-sewn Silk and Mohr Coats

\$7.97, \$8.75, \$12.45, \$15, \$18 and \$20

15 Velvet and Velour Coats \$15, \$18, \$20 Sold at \$5.

SKIRTS

1000 Skirts for a Choice—All Reduced

\$7.50 Voile Skirts at..... \$5.00 \$15.00 Silk Taffeta Skirts..... \$9.75

\$5.00 and \$7.00 Panama Skirts..... \$3.97 \$12.50 Silk Taffeta Skirts..... \$7.50

\$4.00 Mixture and Panama Skirts..... \$2.67 \$15.00 Voile Skirts, silk lined..... \$9.98

\$1.67 Coats of 100 Skirts in 100 cloth, trimmed and plain, at \$1.67

DOORS OPEN WEDNESDAY MORNING 9.30

Pony and Fur Lined Coats

\$35 Pony Coats..... \$25

\$50 Pony Coats..... \$32.50

\$70 Coated Coats..... \$37.50

\$85 Squirrel Coats..... \$22.50

Also 100 coats in the lot, made at a sacrifice.

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Frank Ricard

636-636 Merrimack Street.

BASKET BALL

HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI

VS.

HIGH SCHOOL

Wednesday—8 p. m.—Annon.

ADMISSION—5 CENTS



NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—An estimated audience of 10,000 persons, attracted by the announcement of a world's championship, gathered in the Madison Square Garden tonight to witness the boxing match between the champion, George Dixon, and the challenger, George S. Edwards, of Georgia. The contest, which was the first of the championship of the world for the bantam weight class, was held at 8 p. m. and was a close and exciting one. Dixon, who is a native of England, was the favorite, but Edwards, who is a native of Georgia, was the underdog. The fight was a hard one, with both men exchanging blows. Dixon was the aggressor, but Edwards was not without his own share of success. The fight lasted for ten rounds, with Dixon winning the decision. The crowd was very enthusiastic, and the atmosphere was electric. The match was a great success, and it was a pleasure to witness it.

THREE BOUTS AT SALEM

SALEM, Dec. 25.—Nearly 400 sporting men of this city and Lynn attended in Nantuxet hall last evening to witness several boxing events under the auspices of the Young Men's Athletic club. In the main bout of right rounds George Allen of Boston met Al Sumner of Haverhill. The bout was a hummer from the top of the going. The first round the final round of the eighth round. The referee's verdict was a draw.

The second bout of six rounds was between Young Murray of Lynn and Kid Morrisett of Malden. This one went to a draw after some good work by both boys.

In the preliminary Young Daley of Lynn and Young O'Neil of Beverly

J. C. Manseau's
Cor. Merrimack and Hanover Sts.

DEAD NUMBER 100,000

NIGHT EDITION
FOR MOFFATT'S PLACEA Campaign Appears to Have
Been Started

It is not probable that the police board at its meeting, tonight will take action upon the much talked of resignation of Supt. of Police William B. Moffatt and the members of the board of police are silent when the subject arises in their presence, and there has been nothing said by the members to indicate whether or not they will accept the resignation at this time or whether or not they will retire the superintendent on a pension.

The law in relation to police pensions is found in chap. 128, of the acts of 1903, section 1, of which attends section 23 of chapter 108 of the revised laws to read as follows:

Section 23. The mayor and aldermen, or the board of police of any city where such boards are established, except Boston, which, by vote of its council accepts the provisions of this act, shall at his own request or at the

request of the chief or superintendent of police if by the judgment of said board, he is disabled for useful service in said department, retire from active service and place upon a pension roll any member of the police department of such city whom the city physician of such city certifies in writing to be permanently disabled, mentally or physically, by injuries sustained through no fault of his in the actual performance of duty, from further performance of duty as such member or any member of said department who has performed faithful service therein for not less than twenty years continuously and every member so retired shall annually receive as a pension one-half the amount of compensation received by him at the time of his retirement, such amount to be paid by the city, which shall appropriate money therefor.

Section 2. The board of police, or the mayor, in having no board of police, is hereby authorized in case of an emergency, to call upon any person so pensioned for such temporary service in the department as he may be fitted to perform, and during such service he shall be entitled to full pay. Approved June 16, 1903.

Thus it will be seen that accompanying his resignation Supt. Moffatt to apply for a pension must send in a certificate signed by the city physician, and even then it is optional with the commissioners.

There is much speculation as to Supt. Moffatt's successor, and popular opinion gives Deputy Redmond Welch the pole in the race. Mayor-elect Brown in his campaign speeches intimated that promotions in the police department were not made as an award of merit, but were effected through political influence. If the police board selects a man from the department who will be acting in accordance with the mayor-elect's idea as to how promotions should be made.

There are some who on the street corners, state that the deputy would not take the position if offered to him and that he is better off where he is at present. But there seems to be no foundation for the statement.

There are other good men in the department so that even though Deputy Welch should not be appointed, there would still be no excuse for going outside the department for there are at least half a dozen other good men well fitted for the position.

Keeper James A. McQuade, who was formerly deputy, is a candidate for the position and outside of the department the friends of Deputy Sheriff Eveleth are booming him for the place.

present Mr. Eveleth is a deputy sheriff and court officer into the bargain which peculiarly would appear to be as good, if not better than superintendent of police. The opponents of the so-called "county ring" will undoubtedly put up a fight against the deputy sheriff on the ground that the county ring was trying to extend its power to municipal affairs in Lowell, or at least that is what one hears on the street.

Deputy Sheriff Eveleth appears to be the only candidate outside the department whose candidacy is taken seriously.

Included in the building permits granted by the inspector of lands and buildings since the last were published are two to Jacques Boisvert, who will build two two-family houses in Ensign street. The estimated cost of each house is \$1500. Mr. Boisvert has also been granted a permit to build a one-family dwelling in the same street and the estimated cost is \$1100.

Edmund Travesky has been granted a permit to build a one-family house in Dalton street. The estimated cost is \$1200.

If you want help at home or in your business, try "The Sun" column.

FOR RENT
Two-flat apartment house, Reylston st., Oakland. Situated about 100 ft. from Boston and Oakland line of electric. Just finished, with the most modern and up-to-date conveniences. Apply to A. L. Kittredge & Co., 209 Central st.

IN AN EARTHQUAKE

That Devastated Provinces in
Southern Italy and Sicily

It is highly probable that the loss of life as a result of the earthquake of yesterday in Southern Italy will reach or exceed 100,000. Already it is stated that in Messina alone the dead number 75,000, and reports from the province of Calabria and other points are continually increasing the sum total of the fearful loss.

75,000 DEAD AT MESSINA.

ROME, Dec. 29.—A special despatch received here from Palermo, Sicily, says that the dead at Messina as a result of the earthquake and tidal wave of yesterday are estimated at 12,000. Scores still are alive beneath the ruins of the city. Owing to the inadequacy of the means of rescue at hand it will be impossible to reach these people and bring them out alive.

Messina has a population of close on to 100,000 people. Other despatches received here place the dead at Messina at even more appalling figures. The Tribune publishes a special telegram saying the casualties will reach a total of 75,000 persons.

The disaster in the province of Calabria and the island of Sicily has today assumed staggering proportions. Each successive report received from the stricken region makes it more apparent that the first stories of the widespread destruction were little if any exaggerated. Messina alone reports twelve thousand victims, but it is feared that this is only a partial list of the dead and wounded. Reports are coming in from other towns giving estimates of dead therein from 500 to several thousand.

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BANK'S FUTURE
THREE BOY HEROES

To be Discussed by
Stockholders

SOMERSWORTH, N. H., Dec. 29.—Depositors of the First National bank of Somersworth, which was closed two weeks ago upon the discovery of a shortage of \$25,000 in the accounts of Fred M. Varney, cashier, today presented proof of claims to Norwin S. Bean, the examiner, who is temporary receiver of the institution. The proofs were made out in the usual form and were signed and filed as rapidly as possible. Upon these claims certificates will be issued for the relief of depositors. It was expected today that the affairs of the bank would be in such

shape that the issuance of certificates would begin in about a week.

Three committees representing the stockholders were busy today. One committee is considering applications for appointment as cashier in case the bank resumes. Another ten or twelve applicants for the position have been recorded. The third committee is working among the stockholders on the question of resuming business, and it is said that the settlement generally is in favor of such a step.

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The entire question of the future of the bank will be considered at the annual meeting of the stockholders which will occur early in January.

The O. M. I. Cadets are fast becoming noted as juvenile life savers, for three of them have distinguished themselves within the past few days by saving the lives of other children who have broken through the treacherous ice of the Concord river.

Fred Holland, aged 13, of 144 High street, saved the lives of Charles Gallagher and James Murtha, who had fallen through the ice while the Hol-

land boy and Edmund Roy saved the life of another boy who wouldn't give his name yesterday. In all cases the children fell through at a point in the rear of the tannery. Young Roy resides at 263 Fayette street. Both are members of the O. M. I. Cadets.

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EXTRA
STREET DEP'T FIGHTBeals and Gardner Combined
Against Morse

Who's who in the street department contest? While Supt. Morse is breaking all previous records by keeping men at work way into the winter and at the same time keeping within his appropriation, several candidates for the job are out buttonholing the aldermen and councilmen-elect for votes in a most interesting contest.

Every year the contest is similar to that of the year before. Morse and Beals it has been for several years for whether it's Beals himself or not as the candidate it's Beals against Morse and Morse against Beals.

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TWO LIQUOR DEALERS

Summoned Before Police Board
Meeting Tonight

That celebrated attempt at a cock fight in Draught recently bids fair to go down into history as a most remarkable and far-reaching event, for two decidedly interesting sequels, one of which was most unexpected, were brought to light today when the police commissioners sent out summonses to Frank Barnard and Andrew Donohoe, two local liquor dealers, to appear before them at a meeting of the board tonight and show cause why their liquor licenses should not be revoked or suspended under chapter 108 of the acts of 1908, the most recent legislation on matters pertaining to liquor dealers and which is being applied in Lowell for the first time in this case.

Here is the law:

Chap. 103.
AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SUSPENSION OF LIQUOR LICENSES IN CERTAIN CASES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section forty-seven of chapter one hundred of the Revised Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the word "forfeited," in the fourth line, the words:— "or may be suspended his license for such period of time as they may deem proper," and by inserting after the word "therefore," in the sixth line, the words:— "or any law of the commonwealth," so as to read as follows:—Section 47. The licensing board, after notice to the licensee and reasonable opportunity for him to be heard

by them or by a committee of the mayor and aldermen or selectmen, if the license were granted by them, may declare his license forfeited, or may suspend his license for such period of time as they may deem proper, upon satisfactory proof that he has violated or permitted a violation of any condition thereof, or any law of the commonwealth. The pendency of proceedings before a court of justice shall not suspend or interfere with the power herein given to declare a forfeiture. If the license is declared to have been forfeited, the licensee shall be disqualified to receive a license for one year after the expiration of the term of the license so forfeited, and if he is the owner of the premises described in such forfeited license, no license shall be issued to be exercised on said premises for the residue of the term thereof. (Approved Feb. 24th, 1903.)

It will be recalled that Messrs. Barnard and Donohoe recently pleaded guilty of being present where a cock fight was about to take place and paid fines of \$15.

In this case the police commissioners have taken the initiative, and have gone the Law and Order league one better, as it were.

The other sequel to the cock fight referred to above was the arrest over the confiscation of the birds in police court this morning, a report of which appears in another column.

says he promised to marry her and give her a fine home with beautiful gowns and a Persian lamb coat. He persuaded her, she said, to let him have her savings of \$200 to invest.

In New York, the girl said, Lichtentfels attacked her, and after placing her in an institution in Harlem, he left a small sum and then deserted her.

This was more than three weeks ago, Miss Rosenberg said. When she was able to leave the house she began search for Lichtentfels, she said, walking the streets for days. The house he had given as his address was locked up. Finally she went to the office of the District Attorney with her story and secured for justice. Finding, as she thought, to arrest interest, she concluded that there was no justice and she loved a white powder supposed to have been poison.

The girl was hurried to Bellevue, where she remained until a few days ago, being sent back to health. Since she has been with Mrs. Suffern at No. 110 West 11th st.

Meantime, Lichtentfels had been arrested for Lichtentfels' arrest and lateratives Raynes and he was traced him to the fashionable Hillhurst apartments, where they had last night that he had returned with his bride.

A telephone message that a friend wanted to see him brought Lichtentfels out, but instead of walking to the rendezvous of Third avenue he

started in the opposite direction. The detectives with Miss Rosenberg pursued him, swung about and faced him.

"That is the man," she cried. The next instant Lichtentfels' fist had felted her to the side and a dozen men who had seen the act were rushing toward him.

The detectives with their prisoner had to fight their way to the car. Miss Rosenberg was taken to Mrs. Suffern's house.

Mrs. Lichtentfels, the bride, who is said to be a member of a New York family, specially prominent, almost fainted when a telephone message told her of her husband's arrest. She at once started for police headquarters.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—In his charge to the jury at the conclusion of the trial today of the King Charles case, Judge S. J. Parker told the jury that they should be a very strict of not putting any of the evidence counts in the indictment on which the government had brought the case, but that they should consider the other twenty-seven.

Before taking up the evidence, the judge told a long conference with the attorneys in regard to testimony and by the use of certain phrases of the case.

Judge Parker then consulted his charge, but 12:20, after noon, Judge Parker was hours. The jury had not yet been called to the box.

WELCH BROS., 63 Middle St.

STOCK MARKET

Today's Quotations on
Active Stocks

The following are the closing quotations of today's stock market for active stocks:

Furnished by F. W. Mills, Hildreth Bldg.

NEW YORK STOCKS

Atchafon	100 1/2
Am. Beet Sugar	21 1/2
Am. Cotton Oil	41
Am. C. Foundry	49 1/2
Amalgamated	53 1/2
Am. Sugar	12 1/2
Am. Smelt. and Ref. Co.	8 1/2
Am. Locomotive	57 1/2
Anacosta	49 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	110 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	67 1/2
Canadian Pacific	17 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	57 1/2
Canadian & Gt. Western	12 1/2
Colorado Fuel and Iron	39 1/2
Distillers' Securities	37 1/2
Erie	34 1/2
Erie 1st	51
Great Northern	147 1/2
Louisville & Nashville	147 1/2
Illinois Central	147 1/2
Int. Steam Pump	147 1/2
Mexican Central	24
Missouri, Kansas & T.	42 1/2
Missouri Pac.	62 1/2
North Pac.	147 1/2
New York Central	122 1/2
New York Airbrake	34
National Lead	73 1/2
Norfolk	53 1/2
Ont. & Western	48 1/2
Penn.	121 1/2
Pac. Mail	58 1/2
Pressed Steel Car	43 1/2
Reading	140 1/2
Railway Steel Spring	24 1/2
Rock Island	60 1/2
Southern Railway	24 1/2
Southern Railway pfd.	62 1/2
U. S. Steel	54 1/2
U. S. Steel pfd.	112 1/2
Union Pac.	182 1/2
Utah Copper	47 1/2
Southern Pac.	121 1/2
Tenn. Copper	45 1/2
U. S. Rubber	33 1/2
People's Gas	103 1/2
W. U. T.	68 1/2
Westinghouse	82 1/2

BOSTON STOCKS

Am. Pneumatic	7
Am. Pneumatic pfd.	10 1/2
Am. T. & T.	12 1/2
Bingham Mining	17
Butte	27 1/2
Boston Com.	22 1/2
Cent.	23
Copper Range	82
Grandy	106
Greene, Can.	12
Isle Royale	11 1/2
La Salle	11 1/2
Mass. Electric	12 1/2
Mass. Electric pfd.	55
Mass. Gas	57 1/2
Mass. Gas pfd.	57 1/2
Mass. Mining	81
Miami	15
North Butte	82 1/2
Oscoda	14 1/2
Old Dominion	24 1/2
Parrott	29
Quincy	25
Unity	17 1/2
United Fruit ex-rights	130 1/2
Utah	46 1/2
Woods pfd.	9 1/2

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Electric
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Gift

For your wife would be most appreciated. Just have the house wired for electric lights. She will be delighted and you will be also. So modern, convenient, clean and healthy.

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BEGINS JAN 2.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT
Traders National Bank
Hours: 9:30 to 2, Saturdays, 9:30 to 11:30 and 7 to 9 p. m.

AN ANGRY MOB
Attacked Man Who
Struck Girl

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Robert Lichtentfels, a wealthy retired business man of middle age, who had just returned from a vacation trip, was arrested last night when his luxurious home at No. 110 West 11th street, after he had attacked a girl who had a grace charge against him.

The case of the girl attracted a mob and Lichtentfels was held in custody until he could be taken to the police station.

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LATEST WAS FOUND GUILTY

THE HAINS TRIAL

FLUSHING, N. Y., Dec. 29.—The trial for murder of Thornton J. Hains will not be unique in the absence of expert testimony and this case, like the more prominent homicide cases that have preceded it, will be filled with testimony of alienists and the interrogatives involving hypothetical premises. The defense opened the doors yesterday by developing from its more important witnesses the actions of Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., with the design to show his mental condition. Counsel for Hains will place General and Mrs. Peter Hains on the stand to testify to their son's mental processes.

Seated near the state's lawyers is Dr. Austin Flint, the alienist who was an important figure and witness in the Thaw case. Under his directions witnesses who were asked about Captain Hains' actions were interrogated by the state if the captain displayed signs of "rudeness," "bruteness to resistance" and "obstinacy of control."

The defense will call their medical experts to the stand later. District Attorney Darby, whose term expires on Dec. 31, said today that he did not desire to continue in the case after his term of the office was over, but if designated by the court would continue as the state's counsel without compensation.

Servants in the home of Captain Hains at Fort Hamilton will be called by the defense today to testify to certain happenings in the home after the captain's return from the Philippines.

John Tierney, the garbage collector who testified for the defense yesterday that he saw the shooting, was again under cross-examination today when the court opened. Witnesses for the state, who previously had been excluded from the trial except when testifying, were permitted by the court officers to take seats in court. Mrs. Wm. E. Annis sat with Mrs. Charles Birchfield within the rail. Mr. McIntosh, for the defense, objected to the presence of the state's witnesses, and Justice Crane said that while he did not see the necessity of it he would enforce the rule and exclude the witnesses for both sides. Justice Crane said he would not exclude Gen. Hains. All the witnesses then retired.

The cross-examination of Tierney was resumed. The witness said he could not recall the names of those who he told his story the night of the shooting. Mr. Tierney testified that Mr. Storm was out sailing and came on to the boat only after the shooting. Prosecutor White then called all the state's

eye-witnesses and lined them up to the rail. Tierney identified those whom he saw on the boat. Tierney said he did not see Arthur Andrews, Dr. McBride, Mr. Stephens and several others. Tierney declared that Harvey Rockwell was on the boat. Rockwell testified that he was not near the boat when the shooting took place. Mr. Tierney said he did not see Mrs. Annis on the boat.

James Riley of Bayridge, a builder, was called. He said that the defendant told him last June that he intended to build at Bayview. Mr. Riley saw Capt. Hains at that time and thought him eccentric.

Samuel C. Reid, building inspector of the United States training station at North Chicago was called. He knew the Hains family from childhood. Mr. Reid said he called on June 10 on Thornton Hains, who told him that he was "looking after Peter." The witness related a conversation he had with Captain Hains who, the witness said, used such expressions as "My life is ruined," and "I wish I were dead."

Captain Hains told him, Mr. Reid said, that he returned home on account of the gossip about his wife and Annis.

Mr. Reid further testified: "The captain said that his wife told him that she loved Billy Annis and didn't love him. 'I could not understand it,' said Captain Hains, 'the night before she gave me her car and told me it was not so.'"

Mr. Reid described Captain Hains' appearance.

Mr. Reid said the captain sighed, moaned and quoted from Kipling's "Vampire." Captain Hains said he never understood the poem before but did so now.

Justice Crane said that the testimony of what Captain Hains said to the witness could not be permitted as having a bearing on his mental condition and that if counsel developed it for any other purpose he would later order the jury to disregard it.

Mr. Reid said: "The captain wanted to know what he had done to deserve such cruel treatment and why Claudia whom he had married when she was a child could look him in the face and say, 'I don't love you.'"

The witness on cross examination said he thought Captain Hains irrational.

Adjournment for lunch was then taken. White then called all the state's



LAWYER GUY HAM, COUNSEL FOR THE LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE.

Another Hotel Proprietor Fined and Given a Sentence

The case of Maurice O'Donnell and Simon E. Lynch, charged with illegal keeping and exposing for sale intoxicating liquors, was tried before Judge Hadley in police court this morning. Guy O. Ham of Boston appeared for the government and Nathan D. Pratt for the defense.

The first witness called by Mr. Ham was John J. Flaherty, clerk of the police board, referring to records, testified that a first class liquor license and imholders' license for the St. James' hotel, had been granted to Mr. Maurice O'Donnell and Alice O'Donnell, under the name firm of O'Donnell & Co.

The next witness for the government was Leland T. Johnson, of Worcester. In answer to questions put by Mr. Ham witness testified in part as follows: "I came to Lowell on Sept. 7, Labor Day, and called at the St. James hotel. It was between 11 and 11:15 o'clock in the morning. I ordered a pony glass of beer, but did not order food. A sandwich was placed in front of me, but I did not pay for it, neither was I asked to pay for it. Between 10 and 10:30 o'clock the same night I called at the hotel again and repeated the same action as in the morning."

"What is your business?" asked Lawyer Pratt in cross-examination. "An investigator."

"Investigator of what?" "Criminal and civil cases."

"You mean that you are a detective?" "No, I am not."

"How long have you been an investigator?" "A year and a half or two years."

"Whom have you been investigating for?" "Myself and Mr. Greenleaf."

"Where did you spend the most of the time intervening between the middle of August and Sept. 7?" "In Lowell and suburbs."

"No, sir."

"Was it the second?" "No, sir."

"Was it the third?" "Yes, sir."

"Do you recall how many places you investigated between the time you left the St. James in the morning and the time you called at the hotel that night?"

"About five or six."

"In how many places did you get intoxicating liquors?" "Four places."

"What was drunk?" "Beer and ale."

"No hard liquor?" "No, sir."

Referring to his visit to the St. James at night he said that he was accompanied by J. Buzzell, Dickerman and Johnson. Dickerman and Johnson entered the hotel first and they were followed by witness and John Buzzell.

They ordered pony glasses of beer and were served with sandwiches. He was given a fresh sandwich, but the one given to Mr. Buzzell was not fresh.

"How much pay did you get for investigating the Lowell cases?" "\$2.25 per day."

"Before you went into this business where were you employed?" "I think it was at Fitch's in Boston."

"How long did you work there?" "About ten weeks."

Mr. Pratt then went into a rigid examination of witness as to where he had been employed from the time he left high school till he became an investigator.

Levi H. Buzzell

Levi H. Buzzell was the next witness called. He testified that he called at the St. James hotel on July 4th about 10:25 o'clock in the morning. He was accompanied by Mr. Hood. They or-

dered beer, received it and got sandwiches.

On Sunday, Sept. 27, witness and Dickerman called at the hotel and asked for beer. They said they were told by the waiter that they would have to ask for beer and then they asked for sandwiches.

"The first time that you went to the St. James was on Labor Day?" "Yes."

"Who was with you?" "John Buzzell."

Witness said that when he visited the St. James hotel he was accompanied by Messrs. Dickerman, J. Buzzell and another man named Johnson.

"How many people were in the room when you entered?" "I could not tell."

"Who sat down with you?" "John Buzzell."

"And you had what?" "We asked for pony glasses of beer. 'We asked for a bottle of beer.' 'How much did you drink?' 'Less than a pony glass.' 'Was the St. James hotel the first place that you investigated that morn-

former holding the latter's notes. Wit-

ness' memory was very poor without the use of his notes.

"Do you recall where you got dinner on the 27th of September?" was asked.

"I do not."

"Do you remember where you got your supper?"

"I couldn't say."

Shortly before one o'clock a recess was taken till two o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened shortly after two o'clock and Lawyer Pratt resumed his cross-examination of Mr. Buzzell.

Questioned as to how many places he entered on July 4th witness said he was unable to tell. He said that he depended upon the records that he made. He mentioned a few things that occurred on the 27th that he remembered.

During the afternoon Mr. Buzzell said that he paid a visit to Uxart and was of the opinion that he stopped that night at the New American hotel. He could not state where he made the notes relative to what transpired on July 4th, but he was in the habit of making minutes at the conclusion of each day's work.

Witness said that he was positive that the notes in the memoranda, which he used in testifying, were correct relative to the things that transpired at the different places. On leaving the St. James hotel on the 27th of September, witness said that he met Mr. Bird. He also saw a policeman enter the place. He saw the policeman's number, but could not recollect.

Referring to Mr. Buzzell's notes Mr. Pratt read: "Saw policeman No. 17 enter and leave the place," and continuing said: "Now your notes state that you saw the policeman enter and leave the place and testifying without the notes you said you saw the policeman enter but not leave the place. Which is right?"

"The notes are right."

"Then you depend wholly upon your notes?"

"Yes, sir."

Johnson Recalled

Mr. Johnson who testified this morning was recalled and questioned as to his recollection of certain things that transpired on Labor Day.

"Do you remember where you were last, before entering the St. James' hotel that day, I mean a hotel or place where liquor was kept?" asked Mr. Pratt.

"I do."

"Where?"

"I do not care about stating as the case of that place has not been tried yet."

Mr. Pratt insisted on witness answering the question, but Mr. Ham objected and the question was excluded.

Mr. Pratt started to question every minute detail of what transpired on Labor Day before he entered the St. James hotel. Witness answered a good many questions asked him by Mr. Pratt and Mr. Ham objected, stating that counsel for the government might go back to the date of the birth of witness unless the court placed some limitation to the questions. The court said he would allow counsel to examine witness relative to what had happened on the day in question.

Quincy C. Bird of Reading, testified that on the 27th of September he saw Messrs. Buzzell and Dickerman enter the St. James' hotel. Mr. Bird said that he had nothing to drink that day and added that he never used intoxicating liquors.

The government rested its case at this point.

No defense was offered other than Mr. Pratt said that there was no case against Mr. Lynch and Mr. Hain agreed that there was none.

Mr. O'Donnell was found guilty and fined \$100 and sentenced to two months in jail. Lynch was discharged. Mr. O'Donnell appealed and was held under \$300 bonds for the superior court.

More Hotel Cases

The cases against the Merrimack House, Lowell Inn and Arlington hotel, which were scheduled to be tried today, were continued till January 5th upon request of counsel.

STREET DEPT.

Continued

or Beals men, although it was not publicly known at the time that Mr. Beals was a candidate. Now that the word has come Mr. Beals is very much a candidate and from all accounts is a candidate in two ways, that is if Beals is elected he wins and if William C. Gardner is elected Beals also wins.

William C. Gardner is a foreman in the street department and evidently is not afraid of President Roosevelt's charge of "pernicious activity" in politics as a violation of the civil service law. Mr. Gardner came into the contest only recently and it is claimed by the opposition that he is a Beals candidate and in the event of Beals being unable to make good on his own name he will be boomed by the Beals men for the position.

Then there is Assistant Supt. of Streets George Hartwell, who also claims protection under the civil service law and is a candidate for appointment against his boss and there is Edwin Simpson, friendly to Beals, who is a sort of perennial candidate for a while, but eventually back on the old job in the street department, and finally George L. Fowler, who was once superintendent and headed the job, is after it again. It would appear that the only excuse offered by any of the opponents of Mr. Beals is that the job belongs to anyone who can get it, which the heavy taxpayers ever is a dangerous argument to concern a job that involves the expenditure of hundreds of thousands of dollars. Mr. Morse states that he is prepared to show the taxpayers a record that should entitle him to continuance in office and his opponents do not dispute this claim but simply state "It's politics." To the victor belongs the spoils.

When the new city government is installed next Monday, one of the most interesting features of its opening sessions will be this contest for superintendency of streets.

The "framing" according to the wise ones is that if Beals is elected Hartwell and Fowler will hold their jobs. If Hartwell is elected Gardner will get a heartening boost and Gardner is elected Hartwell will turn his present job with Beals' team band.

Supt. Morse has been offered resignation if he will "let" Freeman Manning and Blessington, both of whom are holding their positions under the civil service law, and cannot be removed for political purposes.

Asst. Supt. Hartwell is out on two weeks' leave of absence while he is presenting his campaign but Mr. Gardner did not apply for leave of absence.

THE EARTHQUAKE

Continued

Other Tragical Results

Reggio still remains in its tragic isolation. It is impossible to get word from the stricken city and the silence gives rise to the most fearful apprehensions.

News has come from Messina, eight miles north of Reggio, but no reliable estimate of the dead there has been made.

Vandalism of the worst kind has broken out and the government has dispatched the most energetic means for its repression. Robbers and looters are shot on sight.

The prison at Messina collapsed. Some of the prisoners were killed, but the survivors escaped and joined the banditti who were sacking the city. Such confusion reigned that the local chief of police fled to the rooms of his office.

The barracks at Messina were demolished. The commander of the troops was killed outright and there are many victims among the enlisted men.

The government last night sent Gen. Fieschi to Reggio, at the head of a bander, to take full charge of the troops in the devastated territory. One of his first measures will be to restore martial law.

The robbers pillaged the ruins of shattered buildings, and even stole clothing and valuables from the dead. They were not deterred by the danger that broke out in several sections of the city but took advantage of the light for their vandalism. The night in Messina was one of horror indescribable—fire, robbery, death and dying on every side, the city in the utmost confusion and the people terror-stricken.

Troops began to pour into Messina last night and this morning a number of steamers arrived from the peninsula with soldiers on board. Patrols were organized and efforts made to bring some order into the situation. Bands of citizens were formed and helped heroically in the work of rescue. Courageous acts were performed by soldiers and citizens alike and in some cases the rescuers themselves lost their lives in trying to help others. Toward morning several of the worst fires had been extinguished, the looting was under partial control and comparatively order had been partially established. Everything possible is being done to succor the wounded but the relief measures are still utterly inadequate owing to the immensity of the disaster.

The finest palaces, churches and theatres of Messina are now heaps of ruins. Countless dead bodies are scattered through the wreckage, and their decomposition will doubtless bring pestilence to add to the horrors of the situation.

The devastation over the entire district was more or less complete. No part of the province of Reggio di Calabria escaped. The disturbance was most severe along the shores of the straits of Messina, where the cities of Messina and Reggio are situated. In more than one town the shocks caused gas meters to explode and disintegrate, and greatly increasing the death list.

The configuration of the straits of Messina has been materially altered. The tidal wave that completed the destructive work of the earthquake was thirty-two feet high.

Wireless telegraph has been of the greatest assistance in getting in reports from the devastated regions and in helping the authorities to realize the extent of the disaster and to send help.

A flying squadron of the Italian navy composed of the three best battleships had left for a cruise on the Atlantic before the first news of the disaster came to hand. By wireless these vessels were ordered to proceed at full speed for Messina.

A British squadron that was at Syracuse has left for Messina bearing a number of doctors and supplies of medicine for the disaster victims.

There are also several Russian ships at Syracuse. It is reported from Catania that the bishop of Messina is buried under the ruins of his residence. Signor Fulei, a member of the chamber of deputies from Messina, together with his members of his family, is also reported dead. The dome of the Cathedral of Catania collapsed and other churches as well as the city hall threaten to fall at any moment. The tidal wave sank numberless small boats in the harbor of Catania.

AN APPALLING CALAMITY

ROME, Dec. 29.—South Italy and the island of Sicily have been visited by an appalling calamity, the extent of which cannot yet be grasped. An earthquake yesterday morning wrecked city after city, and obliterated smaller towns and villages with numbers. Then a tidal wave swept along the Strait of Messina and added to the horror, drowning the people in their helplessness and panic. Fire came to complete the work of destruction. Flames broke out in the devastated cities and countless numbers of injured men, women and children were burned to death.

Any adequate estimate of the total magnitude is as yet quite impossible, but the Rome Tribune places the number somewhere between 60,000 and 70,000.

The horror and destructiveness of the visitation probably will exceed that of any earthquake in Italy since 1783, when 50,000 persons perished at Messina alone.

Reports of heavy loss of life are coming in every hour from city and town, and nearly every village in the stricken zone and the story in its details has only begun to be told. The horror grows as further reports come in.

Messina has been browned. The dead there alone will run into the tens of thousands. It is a tragedy of the death of a hundred deaths.

Mount Etna, the volcano on the island of Sicily is active. Volumes of smoke are pouring from the crater.

The work of rescue is being pushed forward with every possible energy. Troops are being hurried into the zone. France, Spain, Belgium and Russia are hurrying to the aid of the stricken zone.

King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena have left Rome for the south. His Majesty will be accompanied in person to the work of relief. The pope has made an appeal to Roman Catholics the world over for help. He headed the relief subscription list with a donation of \$200,000.

The Italian government in Rome. The telegraph and newspaper offices are besieged by waiting crowds demanding news.

Ambassadors in Rome have been telegraphed to by their governments. As to the fate of Arthur S. Cheney of Connecticut, the American consul, and Joseph P. Jones, the vice consul at Messina, it was not till Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock that they were rescued. A trainload of refugees came to Palermo.

REFUGEES AT PALERMO

PALERMO, Dec. 29.—(Radio.) Communication with Messina has been restored. A trainload of refugees came to Palermo.

in here this morning but no one is capable of giving a correct account of the catastrophe. All agree that Messina has been destroyed and that the victims will be counted by the tens of thousands.

The Trinacria hotel, with ninety guests, the city hall, the bourse, the telegraph offices and the barracks were destroyed.

A tidal wave 30 feet high swept up the streets of the city in the height of the confusion following the shock. Hundreds of half-dressed persons who had fled to the streets were caught and drowned or injured.

A trainload of doctors, nurses and hospital equipment has been sent out from here for Messina and the steamer Marguerita loaded with persons who had relatives in the doomed city and others who will join in the work of relief also has left.

The refugees declare that the entire country around Messina has been devastated and that several villages have disappeared.

Telegraphic reports have been received here from all parts of the island of Sicily. They say the inhabitants everywhere are terror-stricken.

Reggio is described as nothing but a vast sepulchre.

The captain in the steamer Washington that was in the straits of Messina at the time of the earthquake said that his vessel shuddered as if she had run aground. A thick fog prevailed at the time. The Washington was soon surrounded with boats appearing for aid. The fog cleared away in an hour.

Among those who lost their lives at Messina are Commandant Passino and all the members of his family. They were crushed in the ruins of their residence.

The Russian warships that were at Syracuse also have left for Messina to aid in the work of rescue.

PRESIDENT TO KING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—President Roosevelt, through the state department, today sent the following message to King Emmanuel of Italy: "His Majesty, Victor-Emmanuel, Rome."

"With all my countrymen I am appalled by the dreadful calamity which has befallen your country. I offer my sincerest sympathy. American National Red Cross has issued appeal for contributions for the sufferers and notified me that they will immediately communicate with the Italian Red Cross."

(Signed) "Theodore Roosevelt."

The state department was without any advice during the morning from its diplomatic or consular officers in Italy regarding the disaster. At Messina the department has both a consul and deputy consul, the former being Arthur Cheney, who was appointed more than a year ago from Connecticut, and the latter, Joseph Peirce, who is an Italian by birth and appointment.

Ambassador Des Planches is hastening to Washington from New York state, having left the city for a brief rest during the holidays.

The American National Red Cross today sent a telegram of sympathy to the Italian Red Cross at Rome. Miss Mabel Boardman of the executive committee of the American Red Cross today replied to an inquiry by Dr. Herbert L. Burrell of Boston, saying that it was not thought desirable to send clothing supplies now, but that relief should be in the form of money contributions which could be remitted promptly. Remittances may be made either through the branches of the society or directly to the American Red Cross, Washington, D. C.

TOWN OF PALMI DESTROYED

MONTREAL, Calabria, Dec. 29.—The town of Palmi has been practically destroyed as has also Bagnara. The dead at Palmi number 1000, and it is impossible to estimate the injured. Large numbers were killed also at Bagnara. Details are lacking.

The tidal wave inundated a villa at San Giovanni, 2500 feet back from the shore line.

Palmi has 10,000 inhabitants, while Bagnara counts 7500 people.

RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY BURIED

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A special despatch received here from Rome says the pope has been informed that the entire religious communities of Messina and Catania are lacking. Priests, monks and nuns have been wiped out by the earthquake and fire.

DEAD TAKEN FROM RUINS

ROME, Dec. 29.—Reports have just been received from two other towns in Calabria—Cassano and Cosenza. Cassano is said to have suffered one thousand dead, while the injured number 500. At Cosenza 500 dead already have been taken from the ruins.

100 FOREIGNERS PERISHED

PALERMO, Dec. 29.—Refugees from Messina say that one hundred foreigners were in a hotel and that they all perished. The hotel was completely obliterated. It was one of the best in the city and patronized almost exclusively by tourists. It was situated in the Via Garibaldi.

POPE GIVES \$200,000

ROME, Dec. 29.—It was announced here that the pope will inaugurate the establishment of an international committee of Roman Catholics the world over to assist the survivors of the catastrophe.

The pope heads the subscription list with 1,000,000 lire (\$200,000). It is understood that King Victor Emmanuel will give 2,000,000 lire for the relief of the victims.

QUEEN TO GIVE AID

ROME, Dec. 29.—Queen Helena has refused to allow her husband, the king, to go alone to the scene of the disaster. She said she could share her husband's dangers and consequently both left Rome this afternoon for the south. Just before the train pulled out their majesties embraced their four children, who were unaware of the gravity of the catastrophe.

ITALIAN CONSUL'S STATEMENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Count Massigli, the Italian consul general here, has issued the following statement: "The victims of the earthquake are officially open at the consulate general of Italy, 125 Lafayette street, New York city, at the Italian chamber of commerce, 200 Broadway and at the office of the delegate of the Italian Red Cross, 69 Wall street. These subscriptions will be sent at once to the Italian Red Cross in Rome."

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DEATHS

Entered into rest Dec. 28, Elizabeth S. Beloved wife of George W. Merrill, aged 72 years. Deceased. Burial services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from her late residence, 30 West Meadow Road, Friends respectfully invited. Burial in Bradford, Me. Horace E. E. Co. undertaker in charge.

TWENTY MEN WERE KILLED

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Dec. 29.—There has been fighting at Macurao, on the Venezuelan coast, between adherents of former President Castro and the crew of a gunboat working in the interests of the new president, Juan Gomez. About twenty men were killed and some fifty wounded. The Gomez party was obliged to withdraw temporarily but later it returned to resume the engagement.

This news was brought in here by the Miranda, the gunboat in question.

The Miranda left La Guaira for Macurao yesterday morning. It was at once discovered that Gen. Torres with about 500 men was prepared to resist a landing. The Miranda cleared and went into action. She made use of her battery and the men on board tried to effect a landing. In this they were unsuccessful. The fighting lasted about four hours.

When the captain of the Miranda saw the situation was impossible he came to Port of Spain, arriving late yesterday afternoon. President Gomez was informed of the information by wire. The Miranda then took on coal. As soon as this news became known in Port of Spain a large contingent of the Venezuelan colony offered to help the government, and the office of the Venezuelan consul was besieged by men anxious to reach Macurao and fight. A number of the volunteers were accepted and went on board the gunboat which at once started back for Macurao where the engagement will be continued.

ASKS DAMAGES

BECAUSE WRONG MESSAGE WAS SENT

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Ethel Manning of Minneapolis yesterday petitioned the district court to grant her \$1100 damages against the Western Union Telegraph company for an alleged mistake in a message. Mrs. Manning says in her complaint that her husband, Patrick Manning, is addicted to the use of liquor and in the month of September, 1908, went on a spree.

Mrs. Manning, wishing to notify his brother, sent the following message: "Pat is drinking; come at once." In stead of this message, Mrs. Manning asserts that the telegraph company sent a message saying: "Pat is dying; come at once."

When L. G. Manning, the brother, received the message he took matters into his own hands and telegraphed all the relatives living in Clinton, Ill., Chicago and Fall River, Mass., to be present at Patrick's wake.

Mr. Manning was much surprised to have the relatives come pouring in several days later, and when the mistake was discovered Mrs. Manning says that she had to pay all the expenses of her guests amounting to \$1500. She asks the additional \$1500 for damages to her nerves.

The many friends of Dr. Alfred will be pained to hear that he is ill at his home, 1030 Bridge street.

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GOVERNOR GUILD

Upholds Charges Made Against
Late Speaker Reed

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Unfolding his charge that Speaker Reed was in large measure responsible for delay in voting funds and supplies before the Spanish war, Gov. Guild has replied to the criticism of Asher C. Hinds of Washington, D. C., in a letter which was made public yesterday.

The governor characterizes Mr. Hinds' position, taking issue with statements made in a magazine article by the chief executive of this state as unfair.

He, however, expresses great admiration for the late speaker on all other issues than that of the Spanish war.

The governor quotes reports and officials in Washington in 1898 to support his contention.

Gov. Guild's letter in part is as follows: My Dear Mr. Hinds:—In your letter to me dated Dec. 17 you are guilty of an unfairness that is foreign to your nature and of language which I am sure you will in calmer moments regret.

Yet I almost respect you even in your unfairness and misrepresentation of me, coming as it does from an extravagance of gratitude to the great speaker to whom you owe so much.

Now, my dear Mr. Hinds, I really do not think I have been quite such a disgrace to Massachusetts as you suggest. I certainly have never wilfully misrepresented any man, alive or dead. Moreover, you are laboring under a most extraordinary delusion if you suppose that I bear or ever have borne any grudge, politically or otherwise, against Speaker Reed.

No man, I believe, in the United States has shown, as far as in him lay, a greater measure of appreciation of Speaker Reed than I. I cannot see, however, why his one mistake should be closed over or concealed.

Though, as has justly been said, the people of the United States cannot shirk or shift their own responsibility for army and navy conditions in 1898, it is a matter of record that the house of representatives was peculiarly responsible for the unreadiness of the United States to go to war when war was declared in the late spring.

You will doubtless remember yourself how one bill after another designed to fit the army for conflict and to provide necessary equipment and ammunition met death and delay in the house of representatives at a time when all except infatuated men could see that war was at hand, and when no patriotic man who loved his country, even if he wished to prevent war, had the right to prevent it by making his country helpless in the face of a foreign foe.

For this and all other delay and obstruction Speaker Reed was in large measure responsible. I have excellent authority for believing that he thought that by preventing the equipment of the army he could prevent war. This it seems to me, was infatuation. His

DR. H. W. WILEY

Is at Odds With the President

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—It is reported that Dr. H. W. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry of the agricultural department, who for years has been carrying on a vigorous campaign against the adulterators of foods, is at odds with the president, owing to a difference of opinion between him and Mr. Roosevelt over the use of benzate of soda as a food preservative. Dr. Wiley holds that benzate of soda is a bad thing and ought not to be permitted under the pure food act. The president disagrees with him.

Under the law a board exists which has the final say on what is pure or impure in the food line. The board is composed of Dr. Wiley, who is the chairman, and Drs. F. L. Dunlap and George D. McCabe. The question of benzate of soda having been brought before the board it was learned by certain manufacturers interested in its use that Dr. Wiley would hold that it was injurious to health, and must not be used. The manufacturers then appealed to the president who, it is said, sided with them as against Dr. Wiley. Yesterday the pure food board issued a bulletin which is not signed by Dr. Wiley. The decision permits the use of benzate of soda pending further investigation.

BUYS GOLF LINKS

Longmeadow Club Will Own Its Links

The Longmeadow Golf club has decided to be an incorporated club and to purchase the forty acres known as Longmeadow upon which the links is located.

It was voted to buy the property at a special meeting recently held and committees were appointed to carry the vote out. As soon as the club has been incorporated the papers will be passed and meanwhile it has an option on the land. The committee to make arrangements for the completion of the purchase consists of Gen. Adelbert Ames, president of the club, H. Kirk White, Charles T. Head and George H. Spaulding. The second committee consists of Austin K. Chadwick, Henry W. Barnes and C. W. Russell, and its duty is to secure the cash necessary to make the purchase.

These committees have attended to their duties in part, and Secretary Gen. H. Spaulding stated last night that there is nothing now to prevent the consummation of the plan. The act of incorporation is practically complete, and the money for the purchase is all subscribed. The subscriptions are expected to be to the order of reasonable denomination, and it is understood that enough of these are already listed among the club members to make the purchase price sure. A sum in excess of \$5000 is to be subscribed.

To meet the increasing expenses the membership fee will be increased and new members taken in. The club hopes in the future to erect a suitable clubhouse and to build golf tennis courts.

If you want help at home or in your business, try "The Sun" column.

PAPER FAMINE

IS THREATENED SAY THE MANUFACTURERS

GLENS FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 28.—That a famine in the news print paper market is likely to result from a continuance of the present drought in paper making territory is indicated in statements made yesterday by officials of the International Paper company. Many mills which have been compelled to run on short time in several departments, owing to low water, will have to shut down entirely within four weeks unless rain falls, the officials say.

Such a shutdown, owing to the fact that the company has no reserve supply of finished paper would, it is said, cut off shipments to a number of big dealers. Low water is prevalent in all paper mill towns of the country. The shutdown, should it occur, would result in thousands of men who only recently resumed work after being out on a strike for three months being laid off.

MAYOR WOOD

PARTIALLY APPROVES NEW SALARY BILL

HAVERHILL, Dec. 28.—Mayor Wood yesterday partially approved the salary bill adopted by both branches of the city government, granting the increase of 17 cents per day for the policemen and 12½ cents per day to the deputy marshal, sergeant, inspector and captain. The policemen now receive \$2.50 per day and they asked for a 10 per cent advance, as \$2.75 per day is the uniform pay for policemen throughout the state.

Mayor Wood also approved increases of \$100 for Miss Hill, a clerk in the city treasurer's office, and \$100 for Miss Hubbard, assistant city clerk. He vetoed the \$500 increase for the city auditor, the \$300 increase for the clerk of the poor department and the \$200 advance for the agent of the board of health.

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TEXTILE NOTES

Interesting Items From
Mill Centres

CLINTON, Dec. 28.—If the permission of the insolvency court is obtained it is anticipated that within a few weeks the Litchfield Worsted Co. will resume operations at its plant on Main street. It is stated on authority that one of the creditors, who alone has held out against a settlement of the financial difficulties of the company by the payment of a certain amount of the dollar, has now agreed to such a settlement and if the consent of the court is secured this will remove the necessity for a sale of the property by the trustee, Judge Jonathan Smith, and will hasten the date upon which there can be a resumption. The settling house in New York, through which the company has sold much of its product, is selling for goods and there are now orders on hand which the company could at once begin filling if the financial difficulties are adjusted.

COTTON MANUFACTURERS TO MEET

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 28.—A meeting of the utmost importance to Charleston will be held here on Jan. 8, when the members of the Cotton Manufacturers' Association of South Carolina will assemble for their semi-annual gathering, and on that day a number of the most prominent cotton mill men of the state will be here. The feature of the meeting will be an address to be delivered by the Hon. D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, N. C., on the subject, "The relation of the Tariff to Southern Cotton Mills." The association will be entertained by the commercial bodies of the city, and every effort will be put forth to make the visit of the members of the association pleasant.

ATTEMPT TO BURN YARN PLANT

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—Special officers of the northeastern police districts are making an inquiry into a deliberate attempt made to burn the yarn mill of Thomas Henry, Jr., at Emerald and Willard streets, and had it not been for the prompt work of several policemen and bystanders the attempt would have been successful. The miscreants, believed to be the same ones who are responsible for a number of similar attempts, had forced open a cellar door of the yarn mill on Willard street and filled up the passageway with waste, soaked in oil.

ADDITION TO EAGLE MILLS

COLUMBUS, Ga., Dec. 28.—The Eagle and Phoenix Mills Co. will enlarge finishing facilities for cotton goods produced by its mills. It will build another story to the present structure, 48x100 feet, of brick, stone and steel construction, at a cost of about \$25,000. No new machinery will be needed, as there are sufficient in the mill now, but the additional space will enable the company to place its machinery more advantageously. The company operates about 50,000 spindles and 1,000 looms in the production of woven and cotton goods.

MILL STOCK PRICES

FALL RIVER, Dec. 28.—There is a strong demand for mill stocks in the city, and substantial advances have been made. Investors here show a disposition to trade, but they are looking for the lowest possible valuations before making their purchases. The annual statement of dividends will have some effect on investors, but in view of the conditions in the cloth trade, it is not expected to be a fairly satisfactory one. With the beginning of the new year, the

PRINT CLOTH PRICES

FALL RIVER, Dec. 28.—There was small trading in the print cloth market last week, the sales being estimated at between 125,000 and 150,000 pieces. The holiday was largely responsible for the quiet, and what little business was accomplished was done in the line of spot goods and nearby deliveries. The bulk of the week's business was done on wide goods, the asking price being 4 7-8 cents and the bid 4 5-8 cents. The narrow end of the market is quiet, although the quotation of 2 7-16 cents for standards is firmly held.

PAID DIVIDEND

FALL RIVER, Dec. 28.—The directors of the Westlake mills have declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1-2 per cent on the capital of \$500,000, a disbursement of \$7500. This corporation paid 2 per cent for the first quarter of the year and 3 1-4 per cent during 1907, equal to \$3,125. The Richard Borden Manufacturing Co. has declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent on the capital of \$1,000,000, which will cause an outlay of \$20,000. This is one-half of 1 per cent in excess of the last quarter. For 1907, this corporation paid 20 cash dividends in addition to 25 per cent stock dividend.

ARREST NEGRO

FOR ATTEMPTING TO WRECK A TRAIN

KILLED BY FALL

BODY OF MAN FOUND AT FOOT OF STAIRS

ROANOKE, Va., Dec. 28.—West Grubb, a negro, was arrested Sunday near Mythville, for attempting to wreck passenger trains on the Norfolk and Western road, on three different occasions within the past three weeks. Grubb confessed here yesterday that he placed sticks on the rails on two other nights and returned a fourth time to do so on the same train. Grubb said he tried to destroy the train because of a grudge he had against a section foreman on the road.

TEN WERE KILLED

Men Buried in Cave-in of Trench

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 28.—Two bodies have been recovered and eight more are known to be buried in the cave-in of a trench at the blast furnace plant at Easley last night. Several other laborers and two foremen were injured. Most of the dead are foreigners.

PARTY NAMES

THEIR USE BY "INDEPENDENT" CANDIDATES DEPLORED

In a discussion of the proposition of the Boston finance commission to have a city charter which will do away with municipal primaries and party designations, Practical Politics makes the following comment: One place where the party name should be eliminated, however, and this proposal ought to meet with the support of everybody who believes in political parties, is in the designations of independent candidates for any office, municipal or state. A candidate nominated on nomination papers is now allowed under the law to use the name of a political party in his designation as "describing or describing some other name or term." This is an injustice to the regularly nominated candidates of the party whose designation is used by the independent as the words "democratic independent" or "republican independent" is not to confuse voters into the belief that they are voting for the regular nominees of their party. Independent candidates are a custom to be abolished. It has grown to be a custom to nominate independent candidates for a municipal election in Boston when "republican independent" candidates for the common council in ward six received their nomination vote in precinct six, the Beacon Hill precinct of the ward. Here half a hundred citizens threw their votes away by casting them for the independent candidates, who by the way were enrolled democrats put up by the democratic organization.

NEGRO HANGED

DECLARED HIS INNOCENCE TO THE LAST

PERRY, Ga., Dec. 28.—Fletcher Willis, a negro, was hanged yesterday for the murder of James Hall. Willis, on leaving the jail in company with Sheriff Cooper and a deputy from Houston county, said: "I am glad this thing will soon be over with, but they are hanging an innocent man when they hang me."

TOM LONGBOAT

WAS MARRIED TO MISS LORETTA MARACOTO

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 28.—Tom Longboat, the Indian long distance runner, was quietly married to Miss Loretta Maracoto at half-past six o'clock last evening at the Church of St. John the Evangelist. Rev. Fr. Crehan, a Church of England clergyman, who is in charge of the Indian mission at Deseronto, performed the ceremony. There were a dozen or more friends of the bride and bridegroom there. Tom Longboat, the Indian's manager, was best man and Miss Claus, a cousin of the bride, from Albany, N. Y., was the bridemaid.

The bride was given away by her brother, an Indian chief. There was a delay of half an hour at the church, for Tom Longboat had forgotten the marriage license.

At Massey hall last night Longboat and his bride appeared on the stage at a concert arranged for his benefit. There was a good crowd.

\$12,000 BLAZE

FIRE STARTED IN MOVING PICTURE MACHINE

MANCHESTER, Conn., Dec. 28.—A fire caught fire in a moving picture show in the lower floor of the American hotel here last night and the 35 persons who were watching the pictures were obliged to make their escape through windows. The building was set on fire and the flames spread with such rapidity that the sixteen guests of the hotel asleep on the second and third floors of the building were obliged to make a hasty exit, many of them in their night clothes. The loss to the building was \$12,000.

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SKATE STRAPS

HOCKEY STICKS

SLEDS

50c to \$8

All Styles.

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"The First Thing
I Remember

in life," writes Edward Everett Hale in his "Reminiscences" in the January WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION, "is my sitting in a box-sled with my little sister and sliding down the hill where the first victory of the American Revolution was won. This anecdote is the first of many which Dr. Hale tells in his friendly, intimate way, making this most important of autobiographies read like a story. Spend a delightful hour with Dr. Hale in this month's COMPANION—

The Great New Year's Number

And you will enjoy the rest of the magazine—the stories by Anna Katharine Green, Mary Heaton Vorse, Anne Warner, and Florence Morse Kingsley, a famous love scene in color by Howard Chandler Christy, forty pages of practical departments—all and more in the January

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ELEPHANT HUNT

In Which One Man Was Nearly Killed

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—An exciting elephant hunt in which a twelve-year-old African Pachyderm belonging to the Luna Park Amusement Co. nearly killed a man and kept Coney Island in a state bordering on panic for two hours yesterday. Punched, the elephant in question, is now chained to the floor of the dance hall in Luna Park and unless she can be gotten out of her fit of tantrums by expert veterinarians who have been sent for, she must be killed. Punched broke from her winter quarters at feeding time and with sixteen keepers at her heels proceeded to demolish the boarded buildings of the

resort, one after another, finally breaking her way into the dance hall where she was brought to bay and successfully lassoed by John Sinn. Sinn made the end of his lasso fast to a railing and a vigorous jerk by the elephant tore the railing loose and sent Sinn spinning twenty feet away against a heavy post, knocking him senseless. The infuriated elephant made for Sinn and would have trampled him to death but for his rescue by his friends. It is not thought that Sinn is seriously injured.

GRAVES IS ALIVE PITTSBURG CASE

Boston Man Mourned as Dead

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Mourned for more than a year by his wife and daughter as the victim of a horrible end in Death valley, Thomas Graves, aged 53 years, gray-haired and prematurely aged, last night suddenly appeared before his family at 18 Langdon street, Roxbury, and after the first shock was over was affectionately welcomed.

Graves went to California on a business trip four years ago. He contracted a fever in Sacramento and sought a dry climate in Death valley. He became lost there and wandered for days suffering untold horrors. He was given up as dead by his family 14 months ago. It appears, however, that Graves was rescued by an exploring party, taken to a hospital and lay for many months near death, and out of his mind. When he had recovered sufficiently he started east. His face and form, with his gray hair, plainly tell of great suffering.

WOMAN KILLED

HER BODY FOUND IN B. & M. YARDS

PORTSMOUTH DEPOT, N. H., Dec. 29.—Mrs. Carrie Scott, wife of Samuel Scott, residing on Washington street, was killed in the Boston & Maine railroad yard near the roundhouse shortly after 10 last night. Just how the woman met her death is a mystery, as she was not seen by any of the trainmen. Her body was found by a man who was walking up the track, who notified Night Watchman Long at the roundhouse. Medical Referee Walker was summoned, and he found that the woman had sustained a compound fracture of the skull, fracture of the right leg just above the knee, and a compound fracture of the right arm.

OFFICERS ELECTED

BY L'UNION GARIN NATIONALE FOR YEAR 1907

L'Union Garin Nationale has elected the following officers for 1907: President, George Lebrun; vice president, Arthur Morvan; treasurer, Napoleon C. Grandchamp; financial secretary, Edmond Berger; recording secretary, Joseph Magras; senior warden, Arthur Geoffroy; junior warden, Joseph Goyette; interior guard, F. L. Rivet; exterior guard, Eugene Boudreau; trustees, Etienne Raymond, Jos. Rivard, Calixte Bocher; physician, Dr. Alexis P. Bertrand. The installation will take place on Jan. 11.

HOUSE BURNED

OCCUPANTS AROUSED JUST IN TIME

WAKEFIELD, Dec. 29.—A passerby saw the residence of Frank E. Allard burning late last night and aroused the occupants. Mr. Allard and his wife, just in time for their escape in scanty clothing. The house and furnishings were burned. Mr. Allard is an inspector of customs in Boston.

All Out of Sorts

Has Any Lowell Person Ever Felt That Way?

Feel all out of sorts? Tired, blue, irritable, nervous? Back feel lame and achy? That's the story of sick kidneys. Bad blood circulating about? Uric acid poisoning the body? Just one way to feel right again. Cure the sluggish kidneys. Do it with Doan's Kidney Pills. Doan's have cured many Lowell people.

Here's one case. Miss Mary Enright, living at 225 Thordike street, Lowell, Mass., says: "Some years ago I gave a statement to publication endorsing Doan's Kidney Pills, after my brother had used them for backache with the best of results. I can now recommend this remedy more highly than I did in the first instance. For the last year or so I have also had some trouble from my back and kidneys. I tried Doan's Kidney Pills, procuring them at Ellingwood & Co.'s drug store, and they acted just as represented, soon removing my backache and strengthening my kidneys."

For sale by all dealers. Price, 50c. Foster-McBarn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

MAKE NO CHANGE

In the Pay of City Hall Employees

The committee on salaries met last night and voted not to make any change in the salaries of city hall employees. The committee's report will be acted upon tonight and is as follows:

Mayor	42000
City clerk	15000
Assistant city clerk	15000
Clerk common council	2500
Clerk of committees	1500
City treasurer and collector of taxes	27000
City auditor	15000
City messenger	12000
City collector	15000
City civil engineer	15000
Sup't. of streets	20000
Inspector of buildings	15000
Sup't. of water works	15000
Sup't. of schools	25000
Sup't. of charities	20000
Sup't. of police	24000
Chief of dept. of supplies	24000
Chief engineer fire dept. and sup't. of lighting	25000
First assistant engineer fire dept.	15000
Librarian—City library	20000
City physician	7000
Sup't. of park department	15000
Sup't. city scales and measurer of wood and bark	8000
Sup't. of state aid	12000
Asst. sup't. of state aid	5000
Scaler of claims and measures	12000
Inspector of milk and vinegar	12000
Inspector of wires	15000
Inspector of animals	5000
Fish warden	10000
Pound keeper	10000

EDWARD MCNEESE

Supposed Lowell Man Dies in New Mexico

Information is sought by French and Lowber, undertakers in the wake of a body, New Mexico, of a family named McNeese, supposed to live in Lowell. They state that on December 19, a man by the name of Edward McNeese came into Albuquerque from San Francisco. He met with an accident while walking along the viaduct in that town and was taken to the hospital where he died the next day. He was out of his head most of the time and talked of a sister in Lowell.

John McNeese of the Waverly hotel when seen knew of no such person, nor of any other family of that name in this city.

FACTORY BURNED

Big Fire at East Lebanon, N. H.

EAST LEBANON, N. H., Dec. 29.—The bobbin and excelsior factory of Sidebotham and Hamblen was burned last night, together with a highway bridge across the Mascamora river, near the building, causing a total loss of about \$85,000. Sidebotham and Hamblen's loss is estimated at \$85,000 while the loss on the bridge, which was the property of the town, is placed at \$1500. The building was insured for \$40,000. The bobbin factory was the only industry in East Lebanon and had been running on full time. The business was established here last June in the factory building formerly occupied by the Emerson Edge Tool Co. The cause of the fire is not known.

IN WHITE HOUSE

Miss Roosevelt Made Her Debut

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Last night in the historic east room of the White House, President Roosevelt's youngest daughter, Ethel, made her debut. Presiding the dancing in the east room, which began at 10 o'clock, Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Roosevelt, robed in the blue room. Miss Roosevelt's gown was of white satin trimmed with crystals, while that of her mother was of dark blue satin.

Seldom, if ever, has the east room presented a more attractive picture. Seated on a platform at the north end of the room was the marine band orchestra, the seats of whose uniforms against a background of green, formed a fine setting for the beautiful colors of the gowns of the young women.

The invited guests numbered about 400, only unmarried members of the younger set participating in the dancing. Among those present were Mrs. William S. Cowles and Mrs. Douglas Robinson, the president's two sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, Mrs. J. Danforth Roosevelt, Mrs. Simpkins, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bacon, Mrs. Charles A. Munn, Mrs. Richard Wayne Parker and Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., who came home from a command to spend Christmas with his parents at the White House, remained for the dance. At midnight the music ceased and the guests partook of a supper, which was served at small tables arranged along the lower corridor and rooms leading into this corridor.

Previous to the ball Miss Roosevelt was assisted by Secretary and Mrs. Bacon at their home. Covers were laid for 60, the whole party going later to the White House. Mrs. C. A. Munn also entertained a large house party, which later went to the White House.

MAYOR HIBBARD

SAYS THAT PRIMARY ELECTION SHOULD BE ABOLISHED.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—I believe in the abolishment of primary elections, said Mayor Hibbard in his talk before the Walnut Avenue Municipal club at the Walnut Avenue Lanchonette last evening.

A. G. Pollard Co.

THE STORE FOR THRIFTY PEOPLE

Our Department Clearance Sales

Which are to commence on Thursday, Dec. 31, will include the Greatest Bargain Movements ever instituted in Lowell. Each and every Department in this store has arranged for a Three Days' Special Sale during which time they are expected to make such unusually low prices as to command the attention and purse of every shopper in this section. Cost prices are not to be reckoned with. The main object is to make this coming January—the first month of a new year full of promises—the largest by far we have ever known. These sales will be widely advertised. Watch the papers and the window displays.

On Thursday, December 31

Cloaks and Suits, Books, Men's Furnishings

THE TARIFF WORKERS Not Only the Indigestion, but All Stomach Distress Goes

Receive Suggestions From Manufacturers and Importers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The House ways and means committee which is charged with the duty of framing a revised tariff bill has received numerous suggestions and plans in connection with its work. These have come from manufacturers, importers and others who are interested in the tariff and who have either appeared before the committee in person at the hearings, or have filed briefs with the tariff writers.

One suggestion that a way out of the tariff difficulty could be found by copying the law recently enacted in Great Britain which makes it necessary that all patented articles for consumption there be manufactured in that country. Rep. Bouteille of Illinois is interested in this suggestion and other members of the committee may look into the merits of the idea. As the revenue feature will be one of the most important features, a suggestion proposing an export tax on cotton and cotton goods is interesting, and is not likely to receive consideration at this time.

Free coal and free hides are among the changes for which there has been the greatest demand. There promises in fact, to be a lively discussion between the members of the subcommittee that is working on the new bill when coal and hides schedules are reached.

There has been a persistent rumor around the committee room to the effect that another new bill will out. This is the free list and provides for substantial reduction in the duties on shoes and leather products. Several manufacturers have testified that they could stand a slight reduction in the tariff on their products. R. H. Long, a shoe manufacturer of South Framingham, Mass., has written to the committee admitting that a duty of 20 per cent would serve to protect the American industry on condition that hides are put on the free list. He protested, however, against the placing of shoes on the free list, claiming that it would be necessary for the American manufacturer to establish factories abroad in order to get the advantage of the cheaper cost of labor.

There would not be a case of indigestion here if readers who are subject to stomach trouble knew the tremendous digestive virtue contained in Diapiesh. This harmless preparation will digest a heavy meal without the slightest fuss or discomfort, and relieve the sorest, acid stomach in five minutes, besides overcoming all foul, nauseous odors from the breath.

Ask your pharmacist to show you the formula plainly printed on each 50-cent case of Diapiesh. Diapiesh, then you will readily understand why this promptly cures indigestion and removes such symptoms as heartburn, a feeling like a lump of lead in the stomach, belching of Gas and Eructations of undigested food, Water Brash, Nausea, Headache, Bileousness and

many other bad symptoms; and, besides, you will not need laxatives to keep your stomach and intestines clean and fresh.

If your Stomach is sour or your food doesn't digest, and your meals don't tempt you, why not get a 50-cent case today from your druggist and make it worth living? Absolute relief from Stomach misery and perfect digestion of anything you eat is sure to follow five minutes after, and, besides, one case is often sufficient to cure a whole family of such trouble.

Surely, a harmless, inexpensive preparation like Diapiesh, which works in ways, either at daytime or during night, relieve your stomach misery and digest your meals, is about as handy and valuable a thing as you could have in the house.

FRAUD CHARGE

"De Luxe" Book Game in Boston

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 29.—Following a trail of "de luxe" book frauds, which he held responsible for one suicide, the insanity of a woman, endless woes for at least a dozen persons and the loss of upwards of \$1,000,000, Assistant State's Attorney Popham yesterday threw a white light upon the history of the "Platiron" bookmen accused of swindling Mrs. James A. Patten out of \$22,700.

In a series of pointed questions which came as a climax to the day's court session, Mr. Popham indicated that he intended opening up the case to such an extent that all the names of the prominent men and women in Boston and various parts of the country who have been victimized by the "de luxe" men will be drawn into the case.

BRIDE LOST

IS TAKEN TO COURT ON VAGRANCY CHARGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Well dressed, good looking, wearing expensive jewelry, bride of nine weeks, who had been here three weeks with her husband, went into the West Twentieth street station yesterday and said she was lost. Although she had \$25 in cash she was sent to Jefferson Market court a prisoner, charged with vagrancy.

The woman, who said she was Alice M. Reeves, wife of Edward Reeves of Carleton, Aroostook county, Me., said her husband had come home three weeks ago, and had gone to bed with a Mrs. Mann at 230 "some street," the name of which she could not remember.

She said her husband was a fresco painter and decorator, and her father a wealthy farmer in Maine. A magistrate Walsh sent her to the Metropolitan House in East Sixty-fourth street and instructed Patrolman Wicheham to communicate with the woman's brother in Stockholm, Me.

HEADMASTERS' CONVENTION.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The Headmasters of the United States who opened their 11th annual convention here yesterday held the second and closing day's sessions today. President Horace D. Taft of the association, a brother of the president-elect, again presided.

"The bible in the schools" was announced as the topic of discussion at the forenoon meeting with Col. Charles Larned of West Point, N. Y., as the leader of the discussion. The sessions of the convention are private. The annual business meeting and election of officers was on the consideration of the program following the consideration of the topic. "The attitude of the average boy toward his work."

\$75,000 DAMAGE

Caused by a Fire at Pawtucket

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Dec. 29.—A fire which started in the cellar of C. A. Hayward's rubber store in the Cole block on Main street, kept the local firemen and several pieces of apparatus from Central Falls busy fighting it for three hours last night, and caused damage of about \$75,000 to the building and occupants. The fire evidently was due to spontaneous combustion of inflammable material stored in the cellar, and sent clouds of thick black smoke from the windows of the building, giving the chief of the local department the impression that the whole structure was in flames, and causing him to ask for outside aid.

The damage was caused largely by water and smoke, however. The department store of Dechey brothers suffered the heaviest loss, \$40,000. Among the other business establishments damaged were C. A. Hayward, rubber store, \$15,000; Beckman & Moran, clothing, \$15,000; offices on second floor, \$2000. The building, which was a three story wooden structure, owned by Harriet E. Cole, was damaged to the extent of about \$7000. Three firemen were overcome by the smoke.

A FAREWELL RECEPTION.

Rev. and Mrs. Albert E. Kenyon were tendered a farewell reception at the Chelmsford Street Free Baptist church last night. As has already been stated in The Sun, Mr. Kenyon has accepted a call to Dover, N. H.

The reception was held in the church parlors and the attendance included several of the Protestant clergy of the city. Rev. and Mrs. Kenyon were assisted in receiving by Rev. and Mrs. A. R. Toothaker, Rev. Paragular MacLennan, and the deacons of the church and their wives. The ushers were Perry Yarnold, Herbert Draper, Arthur Alonzo, Paul Perkins and Leroy Church. Refreshments were served and there was a very pleasing musical program.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

New Year's, Friday of this week, the feast of the circumcision, will be observed in all of the Catholic churches of Lowell with special services. Thursday afternoon and evening confessions will be heard and an early mass will be celebrated at 5:30 o'clock. Friday morning to accommodate the working people who desire to receive holy communion.

NINE KILLED

COLLISION ON THE GREAT NORTHERN ROAD

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Dec. 29.—As the result of a collision yesterday between a freight train and a work train on the Great Northern railroad nine workmen were killed and a number of others were injured.

DOOR MATS

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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

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